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Dear Senators

I am concerned that the impending Code of Practice banning the broadcasting of live odds has serious loopholes that will weaken its effectiveness.

I and many others deplore the intrusion of discussions about gambling by bookmakers and TV commentators during sports broadcasts, particularly NRL games on Channel 9.

For reasons that are obvious to you this is highly undesirable and is wrong at every level not least being the normalisation of discussions about betting during family time broadcasts.

I urge you to use your Committee to redress this situation.

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