



Legal Impact of Criminal Acts on Family Resilience in Gorontalo City

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ABSTRACT

Gambling is a societal issue that negatively affects morality, the economy, and family resilience. This practice can lead to financial loss, domestic violence, and the deterioration of social functions within society. Although gambling is regulated under criminal law in Indonesia, such as Article 303 of the Indonesian Criminal Code and Law No. 7 of 1974, gambling cases continue to rise, including in Gorontalo. This study aims to analyze the legal impact of gambling as a criminal act and how law enforcement is implemented to maintain family resilience. This study uses a qualitative method with a case study approach conducted at the Polres (Kepolisian Resor or Precinct Police Station) of Gorontalo City to examine the legal impact of gambling crimes on family resilience. The findings show that gambling crimes in Gorontalo City, particularly lottery gambling, have fluctuated between 2020 and 2024, with a significant increase in 2023. Gambling has serious impacts on family resilience, causing economic loss, domestic conflict, social stigma, and psychological disorders, especially among children. The main contributing factors include economic pressure, environmental influence, weak supervision, and suboptimal law enforcement. Perpetrators who are repeat offenders, organizers, or who involve others are subject to heavier penalties. The legal impact is not only experienced by the perpetrators but also undermines family stability and causes public concern. Gambling crimes in Gorontalo City have wide-reaching effects, legally disadvantaging the perpetrators and destroying family resilience economically, socially, and psychologically. Key factors such as economic pressure, environmental influence, and weak law enforcement contribute to gambling behavior. As a result, offenders' families experience conflict, stigma, and even household breakdowns. These social impacts create a ripple effect that disrupts community stability.

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INTRODUCTION

Gambling has been around since ancient times and is still an important social phenomenon today. It involves betting money or valuables on the outcome of an event in the hope of making a profit. Although it is considered entertainment for some, its negative impact on the family is often overlooked. Gambling is basically a game where parties bet on each other to choose one choice among several options where only one choice is correct and becomes the winner which means the player who loses the bet will give his bet to the winner. Gambling rules and bet amounts are determined and agreed upon before the match starts (Fitriya et al., 2024)

Gambling can be an obstacle to national development efforts that involve material and spiritual aspects and teach individuals to earn an inappropriate livelihood, as well as form a lazy attitude. Meanwhile, the development process requires individuals who are diligent in working hard and having strong mental

resilience. Therefore, it makes perfect sense that gambling should be dealt with immediately in a rational and solutional way. Because it is clear that gambling is a social problem that can interfere with the social functioning of society. One rational approach that can be used to overcome gambling is through criminal law policies (Prayitno & Ishaq, 2022)

The family, as the smallest element in society, plays a vital role in promoting and caring for social welfare. A solid and stable family is a strong foundation for the growth of individuals and society as a whole. However, gambling practices can disrupt the balance and survival of families with adverse impacts. The application of criminal law is in accordance with the role of law as social control, which is a pre-planned process and aims to direct members of society to comply with applicable legal norms or legal order. In addition, criminal law can also be used as a way to change or shape society according to the desired ideal; This concept is referred to by Roscoe Pound as the function of Law as a tool of social engineering.

Based on data that researchers found in the journal Kiki Safitri & Ambaranie Nadia Kemala Movanita. (2024, December 31), both conventional and online, gambling has become a significant problem in Indonesia. In 2024, the National Police revealed 4,926 gambling cases, with 1,611 of them being online gambling cases involving 1,918 suspects from various roles, including bookmakers and players. The confiscated evidence includes assets worth IDR 61.072 billion, and 126,447 online gambling sites have been blocked. Although specific data for Gorontalo City is not available, the high number of online gambling cases at the national level suggests that the area is likely to be affected as well. This highlights the importance of further research to understand the impact of gambling on the community and economy in Gorontalo. In addition, in 2023, there were 2,062 cases of divorce in Gorontalo Province, with 1,452 cases of which were caused by constant disputes and quarrels. The Gorontalo Provincial Health Office also reported that gambling-related mental health problems can increase rates of violence, crime, divorce, and juvenile delinquency. In addition, in March 2024, the percentage of poor people in Gorontalo Province was recorded at 14.57%, with the number of poor people reaching 177,990 people. However, in September 2024, the poverty rate decreased to 13.87%, with the number of poor people as many as 170,030 people. This decline suggests that there are effective efforts in poverty alleviation, although the challenges related to the social impact of gambling still need serious attention.

In the provisions of Article 1 of Law No. 7 of 1974 it is determined that all criminal acts of gambling are crimes. That gambling is very contrary to religion, morality and morals and endangers society, this gambling has a very negative impact on society, namely the moral and mental damage of society, especially for the younger generation. Based on the provisions of Article 303 paragraphs (1 and 2) of the Criminal Code and Law No. 7 of 1974 concerning gambling regulation. All such regulations are considered as clear legal tools to prohibit gambling activities. According to data on gambling crime cases in 2023 in the jurisdiction of the Gorontalo City Police, there are 13 cases related to gambling cases in Gorontalo. The data shows the overall number of cases, the number of inmates who have been sentenced. The act of gambling offense has been regulated in criminal law as an act that deserves punishment because of its adverse effects, especially for the younger generation.

The Impact of Criminal Law on Family Resilience was chosen because it has a clear purpose, great benefits, and strong reasons to be studied. This research is expected to make a beneficial contribution to society and help overcome the problem of gambling in Indonesia. The purpose of raising this title is to analyze the legal impact of gambling crimes on family resilience in Indonesia, as well as to evaluate the effectiveness of law enforcement in protecting family resilience from gambling.

The Legal Impact of Crime on Family Resilience This research is expected to help raise public awareness of the dangers of gambling, strengthen the legal system, and provide support to families affected by gambling. This research is also expected to support law enforcement in handling gambling cases more effectively, and is expected to provide benefits to the community at large.

RESEARCH METHODS

The study adopts a qualitative research method, focusing on case studies, to investigate the Legal Impact of Gambling Crimes on Family Resilience. A qualitative approach was chosen to find out the impact comprehensively, especially in the Gorontalo City area. The case study method was chosen because the main purpose of the study was to analyze the Legal Impact of Gambling Crimes on Family Resilience in a specific context, namely in the Gorontalo City Police.

Data analysis techniques

Data analysis techniques are a series of planned steps used to collect data with the aim of guiding researchers in making conclusions. According to Bogdan, as mentioned in Sugiyono, data analysis involves the process of investigating and organizing data from various sources such as interview results, field notes, and other materials systematically to facilitate understanding and communication to other parties. Qualitative data analysis is deductive, which means that the analysis is carried out based on the data that has been collected.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The Impact of Gambling Crime on the Family

Based on data on lottery gambling cases in Gorontalo City during the 2020–2024 period, a total of 38 cases were recorded with quite striking fluctuations every year. In 2020 there were 2 cases, then decreased drastically to 0 cases in 2021. However, this trend changed in 2022 with an increase to 4 cases, and reached its peak in 2023 with a significant spike of 25 cases. This shows that there is an escalation of gambling activities that is quite worrying. Although in 2024 the number of cases will decrease to 7, this figure is still relatively high compared to the first three years. Sharp spikes in 2023 deserve special attention because they can reflect weak surveillance, changes in social patterns, or a lack of effective preventive measures. Meanwhile, the decline in cases in 2024 could reflect law enforcement efforts that are starting to show results or an increase in public awareness of the negative impact of gambling.

One of the indicators analyzed in this study is the aspect of behavior and consequences (actions), which emphasizes the actions of the perpetrator and its impact on family resilience. Based on the results of the interviews, it was found that most of the perpetrators initially gambled due to trial and error or economic pressure, but later became a destructive habit. A former perpetrator admitted to using the family's spending money to gamble, which led to domestic conflicts and children's mental disorders. The perpetrator's wife also conveyed the heavy pressure that had to be endured, both economically and socially. Police officials highlighted that the perpetrator's family was an indirect victim of this crime, and community leaders noted that there was social tension and exclusion of the perpetrator's family in their neighborhood. This shows that the legal impact of gambling crimes is not only individual, but creates a domino effect on family stability and social relationships in society.

In examining the legal impact of gambling crimes on family resilience in Gorontalo City, the circumstances that accompany the act are important indicators that show the social, economic, and psychological background of the perpetrator. The results of the interviews revealed that many gamblers are affected by difficult economic conditions, social pressures, and an unsupportive social environment. The perpetrator's wife revealed that her husband began gambling due to the influence of friends in the neighborhood and financial difficulties after losing his job. The perpetrator's son also showed that the act of gambling was carried out secretly when the family was entangled in debt. In addition, community leaders highlighted that many gamblers in the neighborhood were not people who initially had bad intentions, but as a result of the habit of following friends who often gathered at hangout places, who lacked family supervision.

This finding is further strengthened by the explanation of police officers who stated that economic factors, weak social control, and weak law enforcement also influence gambling behavior. Gamblers often feel that they are not being watched and the punishment is not severe, so gambling becomes a habit. Overall, the circumstances accompanying gambling in Gorontalo City reflect a complex set of conditions, in which social, economic, and environmental factors play a major role in triggering such behavior. This not only affects the perpetrator, but also has a negative impact on family resilience, both in terms of finances, social relationships, and psychological.

In the context of gambling crimes, certain factors that accompany the perpetrator's actions can aggravate the punishment imposed, as seen in this study in Gorontalo City. Additional circumstances that are criminally incriminating include the status of the perpetrator as a recidivist, namely the perpetrator who has been involved in similar criminal acts before. This shows that the perpetrator is not deterred, and therefore law enforcement officials are considering giving harsher punishments. In addition, perpetrators who play the role of bookmakers or who invite others to gamble are also a factor in the punishment. As revealed by police officer AKP Arif Ibrahim, perpetrators who are actively involved in expanding gambling practices by recruiting other citizens to participate in gambling will be punished more severely, due to their role in worsening the social situation in the neighborhood.

Other findings in this study show that gambling that is carried out in an organized manner and involves many parties is also considered a criminal aggravating circumstance. The perpetrator's wife, who was interviewed in the study, revealed that her husband not only engaged in gambling, but also often invited his friends to participate, which caused a devastating impact on their family economically and socially. In addition, the head of the local RT added that the perpetrators are known to often involve young people and even borrow money for betting, which results in unrest in the community. This shows that acts that not only harm the perpetrator, but also involve others and affect society at large, are an important consideration in the imposition of punishment in gambling crimes.

In this study, the legal impact of gambling crimes is not only limited to the punishment imposed on the perpetrator, but also includes the long-term consequences felt by the perpetrator and his family, both in terms of social, economic, and psychological. The law enforcement process, while important, turns out to have a wider impact. As explained by AKP Arif Ibrahim (Criminal Investigation of the Gorontalo Police), many gamblers claim to be forced to gamble because of the economic squeeze, but the impact is actually very heavy for their families. Wives lose income and children often feel embarrassed or mentally disturbed.

The same thing was also conveyed by Aipda Renaldi Yusuf (Intelkam Unit), who observed that the perpetrator's family often has financial difficulties after the perpetrator is sentenced, especially if the perpetrator is the backbone of the family. In addition, the stigma of being a "family gambler" further worsened their condition. Bripka Rina Damopolii (Investigator of the Women and Children Protection Unit) added that children who gamble often experience psychological pressure, such as shame, being ostracized at school, and even losing their enthusiasm for learning. This shows that the impact of the law on gamblers also affects children's mental development and household stability.

The legal impact of gambling crimes also has the potential to destroy the overall resilience of the family. Iptu Fadly Tandayu (South City Sector Criminal Investigation Office) revealed that many of the perpetrator's wives filed for divorce after their husbands were imprisoned, because they felt ashamed and could not bear the burden alone. Aiptu Djunaedi Bagu (Member of the Gorontalo Police Criminal Investigation Unit) added that perpetrators who have been convicted often repeat their actions, and this worsens their family conditions. The social environment that is distant and children who feel insecure make it more difficult for them to recover socially. Overall, the legal impact on gamblers not only damages their own lives, but also creates a chain impact that destroys family resilience and disrupts social stability in society.

In examining the legal impact of gambling crimes on family resilience in Gorontalo City, one of the important aspects analyzed is the behavior of the perpetrator and the consequences of his actions, both to himself and his family. This indicator includes the forms of gambling actions carried out by the perpetrator, such as placing bets, becoming a bookmaker, or acting as a venue provider, as well as the real impact that arises after the act is committed. This impact can be seen in various forms, such as disruption of family economic conditions, the emergence of domestic conflicts, and the decline of social functions in the community. Through the data and interviews collected, this section will present findings related to how the act of gambling not only has legal consequences, but also has a significant chain effect on the stability and resilience of the perpetrator's family. Based on the formulation of problems related to how the impact of gambling crimes on the family, the researcher can describe it based on interviews. As explained by Mr. IK, a 42-year-old former gambler, that:

At first, I was just trying to get used to it, but it soon became a habit. The money was small, but I often lost, until I used the family's shopping money. When he was arrested, my wife was very angry, and the children were also mentally affected. Now that I'm free, I regret that my household was almost destroyed.

The same thing was also said by Mrs. SA's wife, 38 years old, a housewife, that:

My husband has been involved in the lottery for a long time. Shopping money is often lacking, sometimes he takes his savings without saying. When he was arrested, I was confused about having to make my own money, my son was also embarrassed to go to school. It feels like we have not only lost our income, but also our family's pride.

Police Officer Aiptu Djunaedi Bagu, a member of the Gorontalo Police Criminal Investigation Unit) explained that:

Most of the perpetrators we arrested admitted to gambling because of environmental influences and economic needs. But the impact does not stop at the perpetrators, but is more felt in the family. Wives and children are often victims indirectly, especially economically and socially.

Community Leader Bpk Rustam Ishak added that:

After there was a case of gambling in our neighborhood, the atmosphere became uncomfortable. The perpetrator's family feels isolated, other residents also tend to keep their distance. His son had complained because he often skipped school. So, the actions of one person can have a bad effect on the entire family and the environment.

Based on the results of the interviews, it can be concluded that the crime of gambling, especially the lottery, not only has an impact on the perpetrator legally, but also has a wide psychological, economic, and social impact on the family. The former perpetrator admitted that the habit of gambling started as a prank and eventually interfered with family finances, causing domestic conflicts, and even damaging the mental state of children. The perpetrator's wife also felt a double burden, having to meet the needs of the family alone while facing social pressure from the environment. The police emphasized that most of the perpetrators were entangled due to economic pressure and environmental influences, but the perpetrators suffered the most. Community leaders also said that a person's involvement in gambling creates social tension in the surrounding environment, where the perpetrator's family becomes isolated and children are also affected psychologically and socially. This shows that the circumstances that accompany gambling are complex, involve a variety of factors, and have a domino effect on family resilience and social harmony.

In examining the legal impact of gambling crimes on family resilience in Gorontalo City, one of the important indicators analyzed is the circumstances that accompany the act, namely the conditions or background that surround the perpetrator when committing the crime of gambling. This indicator reflects the social, economic, and psychological situation of the perpetrator and his environment that contributes to the onset of gambling behavior. The circumstances that accompany the act become relevant because it can indicate whether the perpetrator gambled out of personal urges, economic pressures, environmental

influences, or as part of a pattern of habits. In this study, data was obtained through interviews with sources who were directly or indirectly involved in gambling cases, as well as from supporting documents such as police reports. Understanding the conditions behind the act is important to assess whether the legal action imposed has taken into account aspects of social justice and humanity, as well as how these conditions have an impact on the stability and resilience of the perpetrator's family.

The Perpetrator's Wife said that: (Initial: NY)

My husband started gambling because he often hung out with friends at the complex. At first, it was just a joke, he said, but it soon became a habit. At that time the family economy was difficult, he lost his job, so maybe that was also what made him take shortcuts.

(The interview was conducted on February 10, 2025 in Moodu Village)

The Perpetrator's son stated that: (Initial: AZ, age 17)

I don't know if my father gambles, but I often see him restless and likes to hide when playing cellphones. After being arrested, I found out that he often put up numbers. At that time, our family was in a lot of debt, maybe he was desperate because he wanted to get money quickly.

(The interview was conducted on February 12, 2025 in Kota Selatan District)

Community Leader Eni Katili added that:

Many gamblers in our neighborhood are not because they are naughty from the beginning, but because they follow along. Especially if you are used to gathering at coffee shops or hangout places. The environment is indeed very influential, especially if there is no control from the family.

(Interview conducted on February 15, 2025 in South Heledulaa Village)

AKP Police Officer La Ode Hone said that:

Of the several cases we handled, most of the perpetrators admitted to gambling because of the urgency of the needs of life. But there are also those who have made it a habit because they feel unsupervised or because they feel that the punishment is light. So it can be said that, in addition to economic factors, weak social and legal control also accompanies it.

(The interview was conducted on February 18, 2025 at the Gorontalo Police)

Based on the results of the interview, it can be concluded that the circumstances accompanying the crime of gambling in Gorontalo City are generally influenced by economic factors, social pressure, and a negative social environment. Perpetrators often start gambling habits because they are following along with friends, losing their jobs, or facing financial difficulties that encourage them to look for shortcuts to earn money. The perpetrator's wife said that her husband started gambling because of the influence of friends in the surrounding environment and the economic condition that was in decline, while the perpetrator's son revealed that his father's actions were carried out secretly when the family was entangled in debt. Community leaders highlighted the strong influence of the hanging environment with minimal family supervision, so that gambling has become commonplace in certain circles. This is reinforced by the statement of police officers stating that in addition to economic factors, weak social control and law enforcement also contribute to gambling habits. These findings show that gambling is not solely based on malicious intent, but arises from a complex set of social and economic conditions, which directly or indirectly affect family resilience.

In the context of gambling crimes, not all perpetrators receive the same legal treatment. One of the factors that affect the severity of the sentence is the existence of additional circumstances that are criminally aggravating. This situation refers to certain situations that make the perpetrator considered more responsible or more detrimental than other perpetrators, so that the law provides stricter sanctions. Based on the results of research in Gorontalo City, the aggravating circumstances of the crime that are often found include that the perpetrator is a recidivist (has committed a similar crime before), the perpetrator acts as a mover or bookmaker, and the involvement of children or adolescents in gambling activities facilitated by the perpetrator. In addition, gambling that is carried out in an organized manner or involves many parties is also a consideration that aggravates the penalty. These findings indicate that in addition to the main act, law enforcement officials also consider the aspects that accompany the act to determine the appropriate weight of punishment imposed on the perpetrator. As stated by AKP police officer Arif Ibrahim said that:

Some of the perpetrators we secured were indeed recidivists or had been involved in the same case before. In the investigation process, this is a consideration to aggravate the punishment demands, because it shows that the perpetrator is not deterred. In addition, if the perpetrator plays the role of a bookie or recruits other residents to gamble, it is also a reason to aggravate the crime.

The perpetrator's wife, with the initials AY, said that:

My husband not only participates in gambling, but he also often invites his friends to put up numbers. He said that he would make more profits. Therefore, he said, the punishment became heavier. We as a family felt very burdened, as our main income was lost, and the neighbors also started to stay away from us.

The Chairman of RT, Mr. Yusuf Akase, said that:

What I saw was that this perpetrator had been gambling for a long time. He often invites young people in this environment to participate, sometimes even to the point of borrowing for the sake of betting. After he was arrested, the community felt uneasy and children became afraid to play outside. In my opinion, because

he involved other citizens, it is appropriate that the punishment be harsher.

Based on the results of the interview, it can be concluded that the circumstances that aggravate the crime of criminality in gambling in Gorontalo City include factors such as the status of the perpetrator as a recidivist and an active role in inviting or recruiting others to gamble. Police officers stated that perpetrators who have committed similar crimes before or acted as a dealer will be subject to heavier punishments because they are considered not deterrent and have a bad influence on the environment. The perpetrator's wife revealed that her husband not only gambled, but also encouraged his friends to join, which had a big impact on the family, both economically and socially because he lost his source of income and was shunned by neighbors. The Chairman of RT added that the perpetrators are known to often involve other residents, even young people, in gambling activities, which causes unrest in the community. This shows that active involvement in spreading gambling practices is one of the main reasons for criminal incarceration, while also reinforcing the negative impact on family resilience and the surrounding social environment.

Law Enforcement Related to Gambling Crimes on Family Resilience

In this study, the legal impact of gambling crimes is one of the main focuses to be analyzed, especially in the context of how the punishment imposed on the perpetrator affects his personal and family life. The legal impact is not only limited to the arrest and criminal process, but also includes the long-term consequences felt by the perpetrator and his family, both socially, economically, and psychologically. Gambling crimes, such as those that occurred in Gorontalo City, often lead to the loss of livelihoods, damage to social reputation, and disruption of household stability. In addition, the legal status as a prisoner or recidivist also causes a stigma in society that makes the perpetrator's family feel alienated and burdened. Therefore, this analysis of the impact of the law is important to understand the extent to which the legal system not only takes action against the perpetrator, but also has a follow-up effect on the resilience and well-being of their families.

In line with what was explained by Mr. AKP Arif Ibrahim as follows:

(Gorontalo Police Criminal Investigation)

Many of the gamblers we arrested admitted that they were forced to do so because of the economic squeeze. But the legal process is still ongoing. As a result, their families bear the consequences. Wives lose their income, children become embarrassed or mentally disturbed. The law must indeed be enforced, but we are aware that the perpetrator's family is also an indirect victim.

Aipda Renaldi Yusuf also said that:

(Intelkam Unit)

"If we observe, after the perpetrators are sentenced, their families often have financial difficulties. Especially if the perpetrator is the backbone. Not a few wives have to work alone or even go into debt. In addition, the stigma of the community is also heavy, because they are considered 'gambling families' even though they are not directly involved."

Mrs. Bripka Rina Damopolii also explained that:

(Investigator of the Women and Children Protection Unit)

In some cases, the children of the perpetrators also experienced psychological pressure. They feel embarrassed, often ostracized at school, and even become quiet or lose their enthusiasm for learning. This suggests that punishment for gamblers indirectly affects the development and mental resilience of their children.

Mr. Iptu Fadly Tandayu explained:

(South City Sector Criminal Investigation Office)

The legal impact of gambling is not only on the perpetrator, but also on household stability. In many cases I handled, after the perpetrator was imprisoned, his wife filed a divorce lawsuit. This is because apart from being embarrassed, they feel unable to bear the burden alone. So you could say, the legal effects of gambling can destroy families.

Mr. Aiptu Djunaedi Bagu said that:

(Member of the Gorontalo Police Criminal Investigation Unit)

We often see that perpetrators who have been convicted continue to repeat their actions. That's why in the law there is a term for criminal aggravation. But behind that, their families are also getting worse. The environment is far away, children become inferior, and they have difficulty getting up. This sometimes makes social recovery difficult.

Based on the results of interviews with five members of the police in Gorontalo City, it can be concluded that the legal impact of gambling crimes is not only felt by the perpetrators, but also greatly burdens their families socially, economically, and psychologically. The ongoing legal process is indeed part of the enforcement of justice, but the perpetrators who are imprisoned are generally the backbone of the family, so wives and children have to bear heavy burdens, ranging from loss of income, financial difficulties, to social pressure from the surrounding environment. The children of the perpetrator also often experience psychological disorders such as shame, ostracization, and even loss of enthusiasm for learning. In some

cases, the family's resilience is shaken to the point of causing divorce. In addition, the negative stigma of being a "family of gamblers" makes the process of social recovery even more difficult. All of these interviews show that the legal impact on gamblers directly or indirectly can weaken family resilience and create a chain impact in their social environment.

CONCLUSION

The results of the study show that the legal impact of gambling crimes in Gorontalo City is not only felt by the perpetrators, but also has a big impact on their families. The surge in cases, especially in 2023, reflects increased gambling activity due to economic pressures, environmental influences, and weak legal oversight. The perpetrator's family, especially his wife and children, often experience psychological pressure, economic hardship, and social stigma. This study confirms the importance of fair and proportionate sentencing, especially for offenders who engage in organized gambling or influence others. The long-term impact on family resilience is very real, so the handling of gambling cases needs to pay attention to broader social consequences.

The legal impact of the criminal act of gambling not only damages the life of the perpetrator, but also has the potential to destroy the resilience of the family as a whole. Sentencing offenders often causes domestic tension, with many wives filing for divorce because of shame and difficulty carrying the burden alone. In addition, perpetrators who are recidivists often repeat their actions, which further worsens their family conditions. The social impact is also felt, with distant environments and children feeling inferior, which makes it difficult for families to recover socially. Overall, the impact of the law on gamblers creates a chain effect that undermines family resilience and disrupts the social stability of society.

SUGGESTION

For the Family of the Perpetrator, the Family is expected to be the first bulwark in preventing their family members from engaging in gambling practices. Moral support and supervision of the behavior of family members is very important, especially in difficult economic conditions. If a family member has been involved in gambling, it is important for the family to continue to provide emotional support while trying to seek legal help or social assistance so as not to dissolve in societal pressure or stigma.

For Perpetrators of Gambling Crimes, Perpetrators are expected to realize that gambling acts are not only against the law, but also damage family harmony and self-dignity. It is important to use the punishment served as a momentum to change and improve oneself. After release, the perpetrator should follow a coaching program, find a halal job, and stay away from an environment that can re-trigger negative behavior.

For the Police Officers, the Police are expected not only to focus on the enforcement aspect, but also to be active in prevention efforts by conducting legal counseling and community development. In the legal process, the authorities also need to consider a humanist approach, especially to the families of the perpetrators who are not directly involved, so that they are not affected socially and psychologically. In addition, the imposition of fair and strict punishment against the city and recidivists must continue to be enforced.

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