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MGC Approves Proposed Rule Changes in DAP Program

Jefferson City, Missouri - The Missouri Gaming Commission has approved proposed rule changes altering the Disassociated Persons Program (DAP). The proposed changes include a five year option for those who apply and are accepted. This would allow a person just entering the program to remove themselves after a period of five years. It allows those already on the list, who have been on for five years or longer to petition the MGC to have themselves removed.

MGC Chairman James Mathewson says "A change is needed. The current program has been in existence since 1996. Missouri is one of three states with a lifetime ban and no other option for removal. It was time to modify and also approve some other housekeeping measures to the program, including streamlining the application process."

The approved changes now become part of the State's rulemaking process, and could become effective in March of 2012. There are currently 15,950 people on the Missouri Gaming Commission's DAP List. Those who are on the list are arrested for the Class B misdemeanor of trespass if found on a Missouri riverboat gaming casino floor.

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