

Notice of Public Hearing

Notice is hereby provided that in accordance with G.L. c.30A, §2, the Massachusetts Gaming Commission ("Commission") will convene a public hearing for purposes of gathering comments, ideas, and information relative to proposed amendments and the addition of a new section to 205 CMR. The proposals were developed pursuant to G.L. c.23K, §5(a) as part of the Commission's regulation promulgation process. The proposals include the following amendments and new section:

205 CMR 116.00: Persons Required to be Licensed or Qualified

The amendment to 205 CMR 116.07 allows a new qualifier to perform duties once a completed application is submitted and the Bureau approves the individual to perform duties during the suitability process.

205 CMR 134: Licensing and Registration of Employees, Vendors, Junket Enterprises and Representatives, and Labor Organizations

The amendment to 205 CMR 134.12 allows the Commission to issue temporary licenses for gaming employees and gaming vendors upon submission of required documents, preliminary review to determine whether there are any disqualifiers or know reasons why suitability may not be found, and provided that no further information requiring further investigation is found. This amendment also removes the existing 12 month expiration date for temporary vendor licenses. The amendment to 205 CMR 134.16 increases the initial term of licenses from three years to five years for key gaming employees and gaming employees.

The amendments to 205 CMR 102: Construction and Application and 205 CMR 116: Persons Required to be Licensed or Qualified; and new regulation 205 CMR 129: Review of a Proposed Transfer of Interests; govern the requirements and procedures for transferring any interest held in a gaming license or gaming establishment.

Scheduled hearing date and time: February 11, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. Hearing location: Massachusetts Gaming Commission, 101 Federal Street, 12th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts. A complete copy of the draft regulations referenced above may be downloaded by visiting <u>www.massgaming.com</u> and clicking on the 'Regulations' tab. Anybody wishing to offer comment on any of the draft regulations may appear at the public hearing at the designated date and time or submit written comments. Those who wish to submit written comments on the draft regulations may do so by sending an email to <u>mgccomments@state.ma.us</u> with 'draft regulations comment' in the subject line. Please be certain to identify in your comments the section number of the regulation for which you are commenting. Comments must be received by **4:00 p.m.** on **Friday, February 12, 2016.**

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