Title 11—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY Division 45—Missouri Gaming Commission Chapter 5—Conduct of Gaming

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

11 CSR 45-5.184 Table Game Cards—Receipt, Storage, Inspections, and Removal from Use. The commission is amending sections (7), (8), (11), and (12).

PURPOSE: This amendment allows decks of cards to be processed through an automated shuffler to ensure all cards are in the deck, but still requires the backs of the cards to be inspected for deck used more than one time at a table.

(7) Prior to being placed into play, all decks shall be inspected by the dealer, and the entire inspection observed by a floor supervisor or above. Card inspection at the gaming table shall require each deck to **either** be sorted into sequence and into suit **or processed through an automated shuffler capable of reading the card faces** to ensure that all cards are in the deck. *[As part of the inspection,]* For decks that may be used more than once, the inspection shall also require the dealer *[shall also]* to check the back of each card to ensure that it is not flawed, scratched, or marked in any way. Card inspection for games which use at least a six (6)-deck shoe and allow players to handle the cards may be conducted at an alternate table in the same pit. In this instance, the floor supervisor or above shall notify surveillance and surveillance shall record on the surveillance shift log both the table number where the card inspection is conducted and the table number at which the cards are to be placed into play.

(8) When cards are placed in play, the Class B licensee shall record on each deck/**multi-deck** box the table number, the date, and the time the cards were placed on the table for use.

(11) Card(s) damaged during the course of play shall be replaced by the dealer who shall request a floor supervisor or above to bring a replacement card(s) or deck/**multi-deck** from the pit stand.

(12) At the end of the gaming day or, in the alternative, at least once each gaming day at the same time each day, as designated by the licensee and approved by the commission, and at other times as may be necessary, the floor supervisor or above shall collect all used cards.

(A) These cards shall be counted down manually by the dealer or by an automated shuffler and placed in the original deck/**multi-deck** boxes. The time the decks were removed from the table shall be recorded on the deck/**multi-deck** boxes. The boxes shall be placed in a sealed envelope or container. For games in which dealing procedures require cards to be dealt only once, the sealed envelopes or containers shall be easily distinguishable from those used for all other table games. The bags will be conspicuously labeled as containing single-use cards.

AUTHORITY: sections 313.004 and 313.845, RSMo 2000, and sections 313.805 and 313.830, RSMo Supp. 2014.* Original rule filed Dec. 17, 1996, effective Aug. 30, 1997. Amended: Filed Feb. 28, 2007, effective Oct. 30, 2007. Amended: Filed Aug. 30, 2012, effective March 30, 2013. Amended: Filed July 31, 2014, effective Feb. 28, 2015. Amended: Filed October 27, 2016. PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Missouri Gaming Commission, PO Box 1847, Jefferson City, MO 65102. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the Missouri Register. A public hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, January 10, 2017, at 10:00 a.m., in the Missouri Gaming Commission's Hearing Room, 3417 Knipp Drive, Jefferson City, Missouri.