## §523.1

SOURCE:  $58\ {\rm FR}$  5812, Jan. 22, 1993, unless otherwise noted.

# §523.1 Scope of this part.

This part applies to a class II or a class III gaming ordinance or resolution enacted by a tribe prior to February 22, 1993, and that has not been submitted to the Chairman.

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#### §523.2 Submission requirements.

(a) Within 60 days after a request by the Chairman, a tribe shall:

(1) Submit for review and approval all items required under §522.2 of this chapter; and

(2) For each gaming operation submit the financial statements for the previous fiscal year and the most recent audit report and management letter.

(b) If a tribe fails to submit all items under §522.2 of this chapter within 60 days, the Chairman shall deem the ordinance or resolution disapproved and shall notify the tribe of its right to appeal under part 524.

#### §523.3 Review of an ordinance or resolution.

Within 90 days after receipt of a submission under §523.2 of this part, the Chairman shall subject the ordinance or resolution to the standards in part 522 of this chapter.

(a) For class II and class III gaming, if the Chairman determines that an ordinance or resolution submitted under this part meets the approval and submission requirements of part 522 of this chapter and the Chairman finds the annual financial statements are included in the submission, the Chairman shall approve the ordinance or resolution.

(b) If an ordinance or resolution fails to meet the requirements for review under part 522 of this chapter or if a tribe fails to submit the annual financial statement, the Chairman shall notify a tribe in writing of the specific areas of noncompliance.

(c) The Chairman shall allow a tribe 120 days from receipt of such notice to bring the ordinance or resolution into compliance with the requirements of part 522 of this chapter or to submit an annual financial statement, or both. 25 CFR Ch. III (4–1–11 Edition)

(d) At the end of the 120-day period provided under paragraph (c) of this section, or earlier if the tribe notifies the Chairman that it intends not to comply, the Chairman shall disapprove any ordinance or resolution if a tribe fails to amend according to the notification made under paragraph (b) of this section.

## §523.4 Review of an amendment.

Within 90 days after receipt of an amendment, the Chairman shall subject the amendment to the standards in part 522 of this chapter.

(a) If the Chairman determines that an amendment meets the approval and submission requirements of part 522 of this chapter, the Chairman will approve the amendment.

(b) If an amendment fails to meet the requirements for review under part 522 of this chapter, the Chairman shall notify the tribe in writing of the specific areas of noncompliance.

(c) If the Chairman fails to disapprove a submission under paragraph (a) or (b) of this section within 90 days after the date of submission to the Chairman, a tribal amendment shall be considered to have been approved by the Chairman but only to the extent that such amendment is consistent with the provisions of the Act and this chapter.

## PART 524—APPEALS

Sec.

524.1 Appeals by a tribe.524.2 Limited participation by an entity other than a tribe.

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### §524.1 Appeal by a tribe.

A tribe may appeal disapproval of a gaming ordinance, resolution or amendment under part 522 or 523 of this chapter. An appeal shall be filed with the Commission within 30 days after the Chairman serves his or her determination under part 519 of this chapter. Such an appeal shall state succinctly why the tribe believes the Chairman's determination to be erroneous, and shall include supporting

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documentation, if any. Failure to file an appeal within the time provided by this section shall result in a waiver of the opportunity for an appeal.

### §524.2 Limited participation by an entity other than a tribe.

(a) An entity other than a tribe may request to participate in an appeal of a disapproval under part 522 or part 523 of this chapter by filing a written submission. Such written submission shall:

(1) State the property, financial, or other interest of the party in the appeal; and

(2) The reasons why the action of the Chairman in disapproving an ordinance, resolution or amendment may be in error or the reasons why the Chairman's disapproval should be upheld by the Commission. The reasons shall address the approval requirements under §§ 522.4, 522.5, 522.6, 522.7, 523.2 of this chapter.

(b) The Commission shall forward a copy of a request under paragraph (a) of this section to the party of record under §524.1 of this part.

(c) The Commission shall review a request under this section and timely notify the requester of its determination. Such notification shall supply the reasons for the determination. The Commission shall also notify the party of record on appeal under §524.1 of its determination.

(d) The Commission shall limit the extent of participation by an entity other than a tribe to one written submission as described under paragraph (a) of this section, unless the Commission determines further participation would substantially contribute to the record.

#### §524.3 Decisions on appeals.

(a) Within 90 days after it receives the appeal, the Commission shall render its decision on the appeal.

(b) The Commission shall notify the party of record under §524.1 of this part and any limited participant under §524.2 of this part of its final decision and the reasons supporting it.

# PARTS 525–529 [RESERVED]

§524.3