**Section 121.154 Court-Imposed Disqualification**

a) Individuals found guilty by a court of intentional program violation are disqualified for the length of time specified by the court. If the court fails to impose a specific period of disqualification, the individual is disqualified for the time period specified in Section 121.151.

b) The Department must notify the individual in writing within 45 calendar days of the court's decision that the individual is to be disqualified. The disqualification period shall begin no later than the second fiscal month which follows the date the individual receives written notice of the disqualification. The disqualification period must continue uninterrupted until completed regardless of the eligibility of the disqualified individual's household.

c) In cases where the determination of intentional program violation is reversed by a court of appropriate jurisdiction, the local office will reinstate the individual in the program if the household is currently participating. Benefits lost as a result of the disqualification shall be restored.

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