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## AHA SUPPORTS INTRODUCTION OF BARRING NOTICES

The Australian Hotels Association (WA) has welcomed today's announcement that anti-social people will be able to be barred for up to 12 months from licensed premises from next week.

AHA(WA) CEO, Bradley Woods, said that barring notices introduced by Racing and Gaming Minister Terry Waldron could prove a valuable tool in stamping out the unacceptable behaviour of a minority that has placed the hotel and hospitality sector under enormous scrutiny over the past few years.

"We need to target the unruly minority of individuals and prevent them from entering licensed premises and spoiling our venues for the majority of excellent patrons, for staff and for business operators," Mr Woods said.

"The AHA looks forward to working with WA Police to develop a process whereby licensees can apply for barring notices and receive information in relation to people subject to bans."

Mr Woods said that barring notices had the potential to dilute the perceived need for restrictions and conditions on licensed venues by decreasing anti-social behaviour.

"Barring notices will send a clear message to people that they need to behave themselves responsibly," he said.

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