

Massachusetts State Lottery Commission

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Interim Executive Director

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby provided that in accordance with M.G.L. c. 30A, §2, the Massachusetts State Lottery Commission will hold a public hearing for purposes of gathering comments relative to proposed amendments to 961 CMR 2.00: Rules and Regulations. The amendments are authorized by M.G.L. c. 10, §24.

The amendments terminate the ALL OR NOTHING game (961 CMR 2.66) on January 5, 2023 and implement the WHEEL OF LUCK game (961 CMR 2.67) on January 19, 2023. These regulations are governed by M.G.L. c. 10, §24 and M.G.L. c. 30A.

The Massachusetts State Lottery Commission will hold this public hearing remotely on **Thursday, March 9, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.** To participate in the remote public hearing by telephone, call 1-(972) 301-8269 and enter conference ID number 687061386# when prompted.

A copy of the proposed amendments referenced above may be downloaded by visiting www.masslottery.com. Anyone wishing to offer comments may participate in the remote public hearing at the designated date and time above or submit written comments. Those who wish to receive a written copy of the proposed amendments, or to submit written comments, may do so by sending an email to cporche@masslottery.com, or by mail to Cecelia Porche, Massachusetts State Lottery Commission, 150 Mount Vernon Street, Dorchester, MA 02125. Written comments must be received by 4:00 p.m. on March 10, 2023.

Additionally, attached please find the accompanying Small Business Impact Statement in accordance with M.G.L. c. 30A, §2.

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SMALL BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

The Massachusetts State Lottery Commission ("Commission") hereby files this small business impact statement in accordance with G.L. c.30A, §2 relative to the proposed amendments in 961 CMR 2.00: Rules and Regulations; notice of which was filed this day with the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

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These amendments may increase consumer purchases and revenue for Lottery agents, some of which are small businesses. In accordance with G.L. c.30A, §2, the Commission offers the following responses:

1. Estimate of the number of small businesses subject to the proposed regulation:

There are approximately 7000 licensed Lottery agents, approximately 5750 of whom would be considered a small business. These amendments may increase consumer purchases and revenue for Lottery agents. There is minimal impact caused by these regulations as agents will conduct ongoing Lottery business.

2. State the projected reporting, recordkeeping and other administrative costs required for compliance with the proposed regulation:

There are no projected additional reporting, recordkeeping or administrative costs created by these regulations that would affect small businesses. Lottery agents will conduct ongoing Lottery business.

3. State the appropriateness of performance standards versus design standards:

These regulations do not implicate a design or performance standard that would affect small businesses. Lottery agents will conduct ongoing Lottery business with the implementation of a new game.

4. Identify regulations of the promulgating agency, or of another agency or department of the commonwealth, which may duplicate or conflict with the proposed regulation:

The Commission is not aware of duplicate or conflicting regulations.

5. State whether the proposed regulation is likely to deter or encourage the formation of new businesses in the commonwealth:

These regulations are not likely to deter or encourage the formation of new businesses in the Commonwealth.

MASSACHUSETTS STATE LOTTERY COMMISSION,

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	February 2, 2023	
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