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Notice of Public Hearing

801 CMR 4.02: Fees for Licenses, Permits, and Services to Be Charged by State Agencies

Pursuant to M.G.L. c.30A, s. 2, notice is given of a public hearing to be held by the Department of Fire Services (DFS) on behalf of the Executive Office of Administration and Finance at the DFS Stow Campus, 1 State Road, Stow, MA., in the Boards and Commissions Room on Monday, January 27, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. for the purpose of hearing public comment on several proposed amendments to 801 CMR 4.02: Fees for Licenses, Permits, and Services to Be Charged by State Agencies. This set of amendments is to align the Commonwealth's fees for Commercial Hood Cleaning, Explosives User Certificates, Fire Suppression and On Demand Mobile Refueling with similarly sized and regulated jurisdictions. Written or oral comments may be submitted at the time and place of the hearing. One may also submit written comments by mailing or e-mailing comments to Glenn Rooney, General Counsel, Department of Fire Services, P.O. Box 1025, State Rd, Stow, MA. 01775 (glenn.rooney@mass.gov). To be considered, mailed or emailed comments must be received no later than 4:00 p.m., January 24th, 2025.

Amended Small Business Impact Statement

(As required by M.G.L. c. 30A §§ 2, 3 & 5)

CMR No.: 801 CMR 4.00

Estimate of the Number of Small Businesses Impacted by the Regulation:

Concerning the areas of: Commercial Hood Cleaning, Explosives User Certificates, Fire Suppression and On Demand Mobile Refueling, as to the proposed establishment of new fees and the increase in existing fees, the amendments to this regulation is expected to impact approximately 1200 businesses or individual licensees in total.

Select Yes or No and Briefly Explain

Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Will small businesses have to create, file, or issue additional reports?
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Will small businesses have to implement additional recordkeeping procedures?
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Will small businesses have to provide additional administrative oversight? The amendments do not cause small business to provide additional administrative oversight.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Will small businesses have to hire additional employees in order to comply with the proposed regulation? No new additional requirements caused by these proposed amendments
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Does compliance with the regulation require small businesses to hire other professionals (e.g. a lawyer, accountant, engineer, etc.)? No new requirements caused by these proposed amendments.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Does the regulation require small businesses to purchase a product or make any other capital investments in order to comply with the regulation? The amendments do not require small businesses to purchase a product or make any other capital investments in order to comply with the regulation.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Are performance standards more appropriate than design/operational standards to accomplish the regulatory objective?(Performance standards express requirements in terms of outcomes, giving the regulated party flexibility to achieve regulatory objectives and design/operational standards specify exactly what actions regulated parties must take.) Due to the nature of the proposed amendments, they do not require an analysis of whether or not design standards vs. operational standards are appropriate.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Do any other regulations duplicate or conflict with the proposed regulation? The proposed amendments do not duplicate or conflict with any other regulations.

Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Does the regulation require small businesses to cooperate with audits, inspections or other regulatory enforcement activities?
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Does the regulation require small businesses to provide educational services to keep up to date with regulatory requirements? The proposed amendments do not require small businesses to provide additional educational services to keep up to date with regulatory requirements.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Is the regulation likely to <i>deter</i> the formation of small businesses in Massachusetts? The proposed amendments do not discourage the formation of small business in the Commonwealth.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Is the regulation likely to <i>encourage</i> the formation of small businesses in Massachusetts? The proposed amendments are not likely to <i>encourage or discourage</i> the formation of small businesses in Massachusetts?
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Does the regulation provide for less stringent compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses?
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Does the regulation establish less stringent schedules or deadlines for compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses? These proposed amendments do not establish less stringent schedules or deadlines for compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Did the agency consolidate or simplify compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses? .
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Can performance standards for small businesses replace design or operational standards without hindering delivery of the regulatory objective? Due to the nature of the proposed amendments, they do not require an analysis of whether or not design standards vs. operational standards are appropriate.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Are there alternative regulatory methods that would minimize the adverse impact on small businesses?