

**OFFICE OF THE TREASURER AND RECEIVER GENERAL
NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

Notice is hereby given that in accordance with M.G.L. c. 30A, §3, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Office of the Treasurer and Receiver General will hold a public comment period to gather any comments in connection with the proposed regulatory amendment at **960 CMR 6.00: Massachusetts Defined Contribution CORE Plan** under **960 CMR 6.03: Administration of the Plan** and **960 CMR 6.04(1)(d): Eligibility for Not-for-Profit Employers to be Participating Employers**. The proposed amendment updates eligibility requirements for organizations participating in the CORE Plan and complies with recent legislative changes to the program, and is authorized St. 2012 c. 165, § 112. (M.G.L. c. 29, § 64E(f), as amended).

A copy of the proposed Amendment referenced above may be viewed by visiting <https://www.mass.gov/core-plan-for-nonprofits> under “**Additional Resources**.” Any person who would like to offer comments may submit written comments. Those who wish to receive a written copy of the proposed Regulations, or to submit written comments, may do so by sending an email to Cassandra.m.chung@tre.state.ma.us, or by mail to Cassandra Chung, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Office of the State Treasurer, 1 Ashburton Place, 12th Floor, Boston, MA 02108.

Written comments must be received by 5:00 p.m. on December 12, 2025.

Small Business Impact Statement

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

CMR No: 960 CMR 6.00: Massachusetts Defined Contribution CORE Plan; 960 CMR 6.03: Administration of the Plan and 960 CMR 6.04(1)(d): Eligibility for Not-for-Profit Employers to be Participating Employers

Estimate of the Number of Small Businesses Impacted by the Regulation: 0

Select Yes or No and Briefly Explain

Yes ☐	No ☒	Will small businesses have to create, file, or issue additional reports? The proposed Regulations will have no impact on Small Businesses.
Yes ☐	No ☒	Will small businesses have to implement additional recordkeeping procedures? The proposed Regulations will have no impact on Small Businesses.
Yes ☐	No ☒	Will small businesses have to provide additional administrative oversight? The proposed Regulations will have no impact on Small Businesses.
Yes ☐	No ☒	Will small businesses have to hire additional employees in order to comply with the proposed regulation? The proposed Regulations will have no impact on Small Businesses.
Yes ☐	No ☒	Does compliance with the regulation require small businesses to hire other professionals (e.g. a lawyer, accountant, engineer, etc.)? The proposed Regulations will have no impact on Small Businesses.
Yes ☐	No ☒	Does the regulation require small businesses to purchase a product or make any other capital investments in order to comply with the regulation? The proposed Regulations will have no impact on Small Businesses.
Yes ☒	No ☐	Are performance standards more appropriate than design/operational standards to accomplish the regulatory objective? Performance standards are more appropriate than design/operational standards to accomplish the regulatory objective.
Yes ☐	No ☒	Do any other regulations duplicate or conflict with the proposed regulation? The proposed Regulations do not duplicate or conflict with any other regulations.
Yes ☐	No ☒	Does the regulation require small businesses to cooperate with audits, inspections or other regulatory enforcement activities? The proposed Regulations will have no impact on Small Businesses.
Yes ☐	No ☒	Does the regulation require small businesses to provide educational services to keep up to date with regulatory requirements? The proposed Regulations will have no impact on Small Businesses.
Yes ☐	No ☒	Is the regulation likely to <i>deter</i> the formation of small businesses in Massachusetts? The proposed Regulations are not likely to deter the formation of small businesses in Massachusetts.
Yes ☒	No ☐	Is the regulation likely to <i>encourage</i> the formation of small businesses in Massachusetts? By expanded access to benefits for employees of nonprofits, the proposed Regulations may encourage the formation of small businesses in Massachusetts.

Yes ☐	No ☒	<u>Does the regulation provide for less stringent compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses?</u> The proposed Regulations will have no impact on Small Businesses.
Yes ☐	No ☒	<u>Does the regulation establish less stringent schedules or deadlines for compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses?</u> The proposed Regulations will have no impact on Small Businesses.
Yes ☐	No ☒	<u>Did the agency consolidate or simplify compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses?</u> The proposed Regulations will have no impact on Small Businesses.
Yes ☐	No ☒	<u>Can performance standards for small businesses replace design or operational standards without hindering delivery of the regulatory objective?</u> The proposed Regulations will have no impact on Small Businesses.
Yes ☐	No ☒	<u>Are there alternative regulatory methods that would minimize the adverse impact on small businesses?</u> The proposed Regulations will have no impact on Small Businesses.