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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

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Pursuant to the provisions of General Laws Chapter 14, Section 6(1), Chapter 30A, Section 2, and Chapter 62C, Section 3, the Commissioner will hold a public hearing on the following proposed regulation:

830 CMR 62B.2.1 Withholding of Taxes on Wages and Other Payments

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Scheduled Hearing Date:

Wednesday, August 30, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

Subject Matter:

830 CMR 62B.2.1 explains the requirements of employers and other persons to withhold the Massachusetts income tax on wages and payments, as required by M.G.L. c. 62B, §§ 1 through 12. This proposed regulation amends Section (4)(b) to clarify that 1) winnings from sports wagers are subject to the same Massachusetts income tax withholding rules as winnings from wagers placed at gaming establishments and 2) only lottery winnings in excess of \$600, and that are not otherwise subject to withholding under federal law, are subject to Massachusetts income tax withholding.

Information:

Individuals who notify DOR of their intent to testify at the hearing will be afforded an earlier opportunity to speak. Speakers are strongly encouraged to notify DOR of their intention to testify at the hearing by emailing their full name, mailing address and organization or affiliation, if any to [RulesandRegs@dor.state.ma.us](mailto:RulesandRegs@dor.state.ma.us) by August 29, 2023.

Individuals may also submit written testimony by emailing the Rulings and Regulations Bureau at [RulesandRegs@dor.state.ma.us](mailto:RulesandRegs@dor.state.ma.us).

Please submit electronic testimony as an attached Word document or as text within the body of the email with the name of the regulation in the subject line. All submissions must include the sender's full name, mailing address, and organization or affiliation, if any. Individuals who are unable to submit testimony by email should mail written testimony to the Rulings and Regulations Bureau, Post Office Box 9566, Boston, Massachusetts 02114-9566. Written testimony must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on August 30, 2023.

Copies of the proposed regulation will be sent electronically via e-mail to practitioners who are on the Rulings and Regulations Bureau's e-mail list. In addition the proposed regulation is posted on the Department of Revenue's Web site at: <https://www.mass.gov/service-details/proposed-regulations-dor>.

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Small Business Impact Statement pursuant to G.L. c. 30A, §§ 2 and 3

830 CMR 62B.2.1 explains the requirements of employers and other persons to withhold the Massachusetts income tax on wages and payments, as required by M.G.L. c. 62B, §§ 1 through 12. There are no current small businesses impacted by this proposed regulation. No projected reporting, record keeping, or other administrative costs directed at small businesses have been identified as required for compliance with the proposed regulation. Additionally, the proposed regulation does not contain design or performance standards directed at small businesses and does not duplicate or conflict with other regulations of the Department. The Department has not identified any regulations of other agencies that conflict with this proposed regulation. And finally, the proposed regulation is likely to neither deter nor encourage the formation of new businesses, small or otherwise, in the Commonwealth.