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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON REGULATIONS**

The Office of Campaign and Political Finance (OCPF) will hold a public hearing concerning proposed revisions to regulations at 970 CMR 2.00 relative to the use of campaign funds for adult-care services expenses as authorized by Chapter 9 of the Acts of 2025. The regulations will be issued pursuant to M.G.L. c. 55, § 3; G.L. c. 30A; and Section 133 of Chapter 9 of the Acts of 2025.

The public is invited to comment on the proposed regulations, which will be posted on OCPF's website, [www.ocpf.us](http://www.ocpf.us) at least three weeks prior to the hearing. Testimony may be presented orally at the public hearing in person or remotely via a teleconferencing platform. The hearing will be held on Thursday, October 9, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. at the office of OCPF, One Ashburton Place, Room 411, Boston, Massachusetts. Persons wishing to attend the hearing remotely should email [Jason.tait@mass.gov](mailto:Jason.tait@mass.gov) and request the teleconferencing platform link.

Written comments may also be submitted until 5:00 PM on October 20, 2025, in person, by email to [sarah.hartry@mass.gov](mailto:sarah.hartry@mass.gov), or by mail to Sarah Hartry, General Counsel, OCPF, Room 411, One Ashburton Place, Boston, MA 02108.



## **SMALL BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

**Agency Submitting Regulation:** Massachusetts Office of Campaign and Political Finance (OCPF)

**Subject Matter of Regulation:** The office intends to issue revised regulations at 970 CMR 2.00. The regulations will be implemented as required by Section 133 of Chapter 9 of the Acts of 2025 relative to the use of campaign funds for adult-care services purposes.

**Regulation No.:** Adds new 970 CMR 2.06(3)(z).

**Statutory Authority:** The regulations will be issued pursuant to M.G.L c. 30A; M.G.L. c. 55, § 3; and Section 133 of Chapter 9 of the Acts of 2025.

**Other Agencies Affected:** None.

**Other Regulations That May Duplicate or Conflict with the Regulation:** None.

**Describe the Scope and Objectives of the Regulation:** The regulations will implement portions of Chapter 9 of the Acts of 2025 relative to the permitted use of campaign funds for adult-care services purposes.

**Business Industry(ies) Affected by the Regulation:** None.

**Types of Businesses Included in the Industry(ies):** None.

**Total Number of Small Businesses Included in the Regulated Industry(ies):** *Please see the attached guidance documents for assistance determining the total number of small businesses:* None.

**Number of Small Businesses Potentially Subject to the Proposed Regulation:** None.

**Effective Date Used In Cost Estimate:** N/A

Yes	No	<i>*Note: For each question, please answer "yes" or "no" and offer a brief explanation. Please describe any facts, data, views, arguments, or other input from small businesses, organizations or any other sources that were used to quantify the impacts outlined below.</i>
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No xx	Will small businesses have to create, file, or issue additional reports?
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No xx	Will small businesses have to implement additional recordkeeping procedures?
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No xx	Will small businesses have to provide additional administrative oversight?
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No xx	Will small businesses have to hire additional employees in order to comply with the proposed regulation?

Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No xx	Does compliance with the regulation require small businesses to hire other professionals (e.g. a lawyer, accountant, engineer, etc.)?
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No xx	Does the regulation 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 N/A	Are performance standards more appropriate than design standards?
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No xx	Does the regulation require small businesses to cooperate with audits, inspections, or other regulatory enforcement activities?
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No xx	Will the regulation have the effect of creating additional taxes and/or fees for small businesses?
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No xx	Does the regulation require small businesses to provide educational services to keep up to date with regulatory requirements?
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No xx	Is the regulation likely to <i>deter</i> the formation of small businesses in Massachusetts?
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No xx	Is the regulation likely to <i>encourage</i> the formation of small businesses in Massachusetts?
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No xx	Can the regulation provide for less stringent compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses?
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No N/A	Can the regulation establish less stringent schedules or deadlines for compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses?
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No N/A	Can the compliance or reporting requirements be consolidated or simplified for small businesses?
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No N/A	Can performance standards for small businesses replace design or operational standards?
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No N/A	Are there alternative regulatory methods that would minimize the adverse impact on small businesses?
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No xx	Were any small businesses or small business organizations contacted during the preparation of this document? If so, please describe.