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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND COMMENT PERIOD**

Under the provisions of M.G.L. c. 30A and M.G.L. c. 27, § 5, the Parole Board will conduct a public hearing and comment period to gather comments, ideas, and information concerning proposed revisions to 120 CMR 400: Victim Input and Notification of Parole hearings and Decisions.

The purpose of 120 CMR 400 is to outline the process of notifying victims of an offender's parole eligibility and parole status. It also provides direction on the ability of victims to submit statements to the Parole Board regarding the impact of the crime on the victim and the victim's opinion regarding the requested parole. It is important for victims of crimes to be notified when parole is being considered and granted so they may have an opportunity to provide information to the Parole Board concerning the impact the crime had on them. The Parole Board has completed a comprehensive review of its regulations in accordance with Executive Order 562 and accordingly has proposed revisions to 120 CMR 400. A copy of the proposed regulation may be obtained via the Parole Board website at: [www.mass.gov/parole](http://www.mass.gov/parole). Proposed Amendments to Regulations can be found under Key Resources.

The public hearing concerning revisions to 120 CMR 400 will be held on August 18, 2016, from 9:00am to 1:00pm, at the McCormack State Office Building, 21<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room, One Ashburton Place, Boston, MA 02108. All persons desiring to be heard on this matter should appear at the designated time and place.

Public comments will be accepted through Friday, August 19, 2016 at 5:00pm. Please send any comments to Gloriann Moroney, General Counsel, Massachusetts Parole Board, 12 Mercer Road, Natick MA, 01760 or to [gloriann.moroney@state.ma.us](mailto:gloriann.moroney@state.ma.us).