

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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Notice is hereby given that the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP), under its authority pursuant to M.G.L. c. 21A, §§ 2, 8, 16 and 28 and M.G.L. c. 111, § 2C, will hold a public hearing in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 30A on proposed new regulations at 310 CMR 78.00: DISTRIBUTION AND SALES BAN OF COVERED PRODUCTS CONTAINING CERTAIN FLAME RETARDANTS. The proposed regulation prohibits a manufacturer or retailer from selling, offering or manufacturing for sale, distributing in commerce or importing into the Commonwealth bedding, carpeting, children's products, residential upholstered furniture and window treatments that contain chemical flame retardants and chemical analogues prohibited under the regulation.

The proposed regulation and a background document are available on MassDEP's website at: <https://www.mass.gov/service-details/massdep-public-hearings-comment-opportunities>.

The date and time for the public hearing is:
Tuesday, October 11, 2022 at 02:00 PM (EST)

Register in advance for this public hearing at the link below. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the hearing.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAqc--orzsqHtycNHW0sbeH5KOhsmWtB58h>

Please join the public hearing from your computer, tablet or smartphone. You can also dial in using your phone. Testimony may be presented orally at the public hearing, or written comments may be submitted until 5:00 PM on October 25, 2022. Written comments must be submitted via email to flame.retardants@mass.gov or via mail to Veronica O'Donnell, MassDEP, One Winter Street, Boston, MA 02018.

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By order of the Department
Martin Suuberg
Commissioner