

Illegal Tobacco Task Force

Notice of Public Meeting

Meeting Date: Monday, March 23, 2020

Meeting Time: 10:30 AM

Meeting Location: 100 Cambridge Street, 2nd Floor, Rooms B & C, Boston, MA

- A. Opening Remarks
- B. Approval of Minutes from the February 24, 2020 meeting.
- C. Update from Member Agencies
- D. Time for Public Comment, please note the following instructions:
 - a. Public Comment will be heard by order of speaker sign-in. The Chair reserves the right to impose reasonable time limits (approximately 10 minutes) to allow time for everyone to be heard.
 - b. The Task Force asks that speakers provide a copy of their testimony in written form wherever possible. There will not be a projector available for public use so any demonstratives, if used, should be provided in paper format.
 - c. The Task Force will accept written comments through March 30th, 2020. Please send written Comments to:

Marikae Toye, Co-Chair, Illegal Tobacco Task Force
Department of Revenue
General Counsel's Office
100 Cambridge St., 8th Floor
Boston, MA 02114
 - d. The Task Force is soliciting responses to the following questions, in particular:
 - 1. What technology is available to the Task Force's member agencies to allow us to address both the taxation of vaping products and the enforcement of the flavored tobacco ban?
 - 2. What is the expected business impact of the Act and what increased enforcement mechanisms by the member agencies could address this impact?

3. What data is available concerning black market sales of electronic nicotine delivery systems/vape products during the states recent ban on vaping that could inform the Task Force's next steps?
4. What are the current black market conditions for smokeless tobacco that might inform the Task Force's enforcement of the flavored tobacco ban moving after June 1, 2010?
5. How will the Task Force's member agencies responsibly dispose of electronic nicotine delivery systems that are seized in the course of enforcement actions?

E. Scheduling of Next Meeting

F. Wrap Up/Closing Comments

Due to security at the Saltonstall Building, those interested in attending the meeting should allow for additional time to check-in.

If any member of the public wishing to attend this meeting seeks special accommodations in accordance with the American with Disabilities Act, please contact DOR Human Capital Development at 617-626-2355.

Amended on March 5, 2020

Date of Posting: March 5, 2020 @ 5pm