

# **CHAIR**Margaret R. Hinkle

#### COMMISSIONERS

Hanya H. Bluestone Lawrence Calderone Clementina Chéry Larry E. Ellison Marsha V. Kazarosian Charlene D. Luma Kimberly P. West Michael Wynn

#### EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Enrique A. Zuniga

## MASSACHUSETTS PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS & TRAINING COMMISSION

### **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, the Massachusetts Peace Officer Standards and Training Commission (the "Commission") will conduct a public hearing to gather comments, ideas, and information concerning a proposed set of regulations, 555 CMR 10.00: Specialized Certification for School Resource Officers.

Summary of Proposed Regulations: M.G.L. c. 6E, § 3(b) provides that the Commission may "issue a specialized certification for an individual acting, or intending to act, as a school resource officer," as defined in M.G.L. c. 71 § 37P, and that "a person shall not be appointed as a school resource officer" "unless specially certified as such." The proposed regulations set forth certain requirements, and certain procedures to be followed by law enforcement officers and the Commission, for this type of certification to be awarded. They also set forth procedures for the Commission to follow in denying or conditioning such a certification, and for applicants to follow in seeking review of any adverse decision.

Availability of Proposed Regulations: The proposed regulations are available on the Commission's website at: https://www.mass.gov/orgs/post-commission. You may obtain a written copy by e-mailing a request to POSTC-comments@mass.gov or mailing a request to General Counsel Randall E. Ravitz, Massachusetts Peace Officer Standards and Training Commission, 100 Cambridge Street, 14th Floor, Boston, MA 02114.

Hearing Details: The hearing will be held virtually, using the Zoom platform, on Tuesday, December 6, 2022, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. All persons desiring to be heard on this matter should appear at that time. If you are interested in offering comments, you are encouraged, but not required, to pre-register by sending an email to POSTC-comments@mass.gov with a subject line stating, "School Resource Officer Regulations." To join via computer, click on the following link: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/94604914089">https://zoom.us/j/94604914089</a>. You may need to allow extra time to download Zoom. To join via telephone (audio only), dial 309-205-3325 and use the following conference ID: 946 0491 4089. Given the volume of comments anticipated, the Commission may limit a speaker's time to five minutes. Attendees should dress and conduct themselves as if attending in person.

<u>Submission of Comments:</u> The submission of written comments or testimony in advance of the hearing is welcome and may be made by e-mail to POSTC-comments@mass.gov with a subject line stating, "School Resource Officer Regulations" or by mail to General Counsel Randall E. Ravitz at the physical address listed above. Comments received after December 6, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. might not be considered.