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TO: Selectmen/Mayors; City/Town Managers; Finance Directors; Finance Committees; Assessors; Collectors; Treasurers; Accountants/Auditors; Clerks; School Superintendents; School Business Managers; District Treasurers; Town Counsels/City Solicitors

FROM: Gerard D. Perry, Deputy Commissioner
Division of Local Services

DATE: July 2006

The Division of Local Services' Legal Staff will offer the seminar "What's New in Municipal Law" Friday, September 29, 2006, at the Best Western Sovereign Hotel & Conference Center in West Springfield and Friday, October 6, 2006, at Lantana in Randolph. Presentations will include new legislation and recent court decisions pertaining to local government. This Bulletin contains a program description (page 2) and a registration form (page 3).

The general session in the morning will be conducted by attorneys Kathleen Colleary, Chief of the Bureau of Municipal Finance Law, Gary Blau, James Crowley, Christopher Hinchey, Mary Mitchell and Daniel Murphy. The afternoon session will consist of three simultaneous workshops from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. These workshops will be small group meetings, led by the Bureau of Municipal Finance Law attorneys.

The attorneys of the Bureau of Municipal Finance Law are specialists in municipal law, particularly in property taxation and finance. The legal staff interprets new laws and responds to the legal concerns of local officials.

A registration fee of **\$50.00 per person** will be charged to cover the cost of the facility, booklets, morning refreshments and the luncheon. Please contact Donna Quinn at (617) 626-3838 with any questions regarding registration. I hope you will have the opportunity to join us at this timely and informative seminar.

BEST WESTERN HOTEL
1080 Riverdale Road
West Springfield, MA
(413) 781-8750
(Exit 4 off Mass Turnpike)

LANTANA
43 Scanlon Drive
Randolph, MA
(781) 961-4600
(Exit 5A off Route 93)

Online Directions:

<http://www.sovereignhotels.com/wspringfield/directions/index.htm>
<http://www.thelantana.com/corporate/directions.htm>

REGISTRATION: 8:15 a.m.

GENERAL SESSION.....9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

WHAT'S NEW IN MUNICIPAL LAW

Local Services' Legal Staff will present the latest from the Legislature and the Courts.

AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS.....1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Local Services' Legal Staff will discuss municipal government topics with local officials.

You may attend one workshop.

Booklets for the other sessions will be available online after the seminars.

Come and discuss recent changes in Municipal Law with the Legal Staff
from the Department of Revenue's Division of Local Services.

MENU: *Chicken Entree, Garden Salad, Fresh Vegetables, Beverage and Dessert*

**Please return the completed registration form with a check made payable to the
Commonwealth of Massachusetts to:**

**TRAINING COORDINATOR
DIVISION OF LOCAL SERVICES
PO BOX 9569
BOSTON, MA 02114-9569**

PURCHASE ORDERS AND CASH WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

RECEIPTS WILL BE PROVIDED FOR ANYONE PAYING BY PERSONAL CHECK.

REGISTRATIONS AND CHECKS MUST BE RECEIVED BY SEPTEMBER 20, 2006.

WHAT'S NEW IN MUNICIPAL LAW SEMINAR REGISTRATION FORM

_____	_____
NAME	POSITION
_____	() _____
COMMUNITY OR COMPANY	PHONE NUMBER

SEMINAR LOCATION: (Please indicate which location you will be attending.)

WEST SPRINGFIELD FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2006 _____

RANDOLPH FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2006 _____

**ALL CHECKS MUST BE MADE PAYABLE TO:
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Mail the entire completed registration form and check to:

**Training Coordinator
Division of Local Services
PO Box 9569
Boston, MA 02114-9569**

REGISTRATION, BOOKLETS, CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST & LUNCHEON **(\$50.00)**

The morning is a general session for everyone.

Please indicate your choice of one afternoon workshop from 1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Workshop A _____ FROM FARMLAND TO THE WATERFRONT. A review of current assessment and collection issues facing assessors and collectors.

Workshop B _____ SCHOOL BUDGETS, SPECIAL FUNDS AND OTHER FINANCE ISSUES. Another episode in our exploration of frequently asked municipal finance and accounting questions.

Workshop C _____ DEALING WITH HEALTH INSURANCE AND OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFITS. A workshop for finance officers and others focusing on current legal and financial issues relating to health insurance and other employee benefits.