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Maine Revenue Services ("MRS") Rulemaking Activity

Rule 210, "Telecommunications Excise Tax." MRS is proposing to add new Rule 210, which provides an overview of the excise tax levied by the State on telecommunications businesses pursuant to 36 MR.S. § 457. This new proposed rule clarifies the law and provides guidance regarding the various requirements of the telecommunications excise tax.

These proposed changes can be found on the MRS website, at

www.maine.gov/revenue/publications/rules, under "Current MRS Rulemaking Activity." Comments on the proposed changes are due by January 31, 2022, and must be directed to Alex Weber, General Counsel of MRS either by email at <u>alexander.j.weber@maine.gov</u> or by mail at P.O. Box 1060, Augusta, ME 04332-1060.

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Fraud Alert

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If you believe you are a victim of identity theft or that a breach of personally identifiable information has occurred, contact MRS at (207) 624-7658 or email <u>fraudalert.mrs@maine.gov</u> as soon as possible. Timely notification assists MRS in preventing fraudulent tax refunds.

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| Central Registration | (207) 624-9784 | (207) 287-6975 | taxpayerassist@maine.gov |
| Collections & Compliance | (207) 624-9595 | (207) 287-6627 | compliance.tax@maine.gov |
| Corporate Tax | (207) 624-9670 | (207) 624-9694 | corporate.tax@maine.gov |
| E-file Help Desk (1040 ONLY) | (207) 624-9730 | (207) 287-6628 | efile.helpdesk@maine.gov |
| Electronic Funds Transfer | (207) 624-5625 | (207) 287-3618 | efunds.transfer@maine.gov |
| Estate & Fiduciary Tax | (207) 626-8480 | (207) 624-9694 | estatetax@maine.gov |
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| Individual Income Tax Assistance | (207) 626-8475 | (207) 624-9694 | income.tax@maine.gov |
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| NexTalk (TTY Service) | (888) 577-6690 | | |
| Payment Plan/Income Tax | (207) 621-4300 | (207) 621-4328 | <u>compliance.tax@maine.gov</u> |
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Suggestions for the Tax Alert?

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