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MRS Rulemaking Activity Proposed Rule

New Rule 326, “Leases and Rentals of Tangible Personal Property.” MRS is proposing to adopt new Rule 326 to implement recent legislative changes. Rule 326 provides definitions, explanations, and examples of taxable and non-taxable transactions related to the shift of the imposition of sales or use tax on leased property from being due from the lessor upfront on the entire purchase price of the rental property to instead requiring the lessor to collect sales tax from the lessee on each lease or rental payment, beginning January 1, 2025. The rule also addresses other potential sales and use tax issues related to such transactions, including software licenses; sourcing of leases and rentals; and the calculation of sale price for leases and rentals.

The proposed rule is available on the MRS website, at maine.gov/revenue/publications/rules, under “Current MRS Rulemaking Activity.” Comments on proposed Rule 326 are due by **April 21, 2025**, and must be directed to Alex Weber, General Counsel, either by email at alexander.j.weber@maine.gov or by mail at Maine Revenue Services, P.O. Box 1060, Augusta, ME 04332-1060.

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MRS Contact Information:

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