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## STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS LANSING

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## NEW STATUTORY PROPERTY TAX APPEAL DEADLINES FOR 2020 EXTENSION OF SUSPENSION OF IN-PERSON HEARINGS VIDEO CONFERENCE HEARINGS

On June 11, 2020, the Governor signed HB 5766, now PA 88 of 2020. The new law allows Petitioners until August 31, 2020 to file any property tax appeal provided under section 35a or 62 if the filing deadline otherwise provided for that appeal under this act is any day after May 27, 2020 and before September 1, 2020. Property tax appeal means any contested case relating to real and personal property assessments, valuations, rates, special assessments, refunds, allocation, or equalization or any other contested case brought before the tax tribunal under the state's property tax laws.

Under the new law, the deadline to file property tax appeals for certain commercial and industrial property is extended from May 31, 2020 to August 31, 2020, and the deadline to file property tax appeals for residential property is extended from July 31, 2020 to August 31, 2020.

Please note that cases that have been rejected as untimely for filing after May 27, 2020 may now be eligible for reconsideration or a new appeal.

In addition, consistent with Governor Whitmer's Executive Order 2020-113 and in accord with MOAHR Policy and Procedure No. 15, effective June 15, 2020, the temporary suspension of all in-person hearings and prehearing conferences has been extended through June 30, 2020. This extension is subject to further extension if warranted by the circumstances.

Finally, several Entire Tribunal hearings have been converted to video conference hearings and are listed on our website (under Virtual Hearings). Other Entire Tribunal hearings scheduled for June have been adjourned and Entire Tribunal in-person prehearing conferences along with all Small Claims hearings have been scheduled to be heard by telephone. If you have any questions regarding the Tax Tribunal, or this notice, please email them to the Tribunal at <a href="mailto:taxtrib@michigan.gov">taxtrib@michigan.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

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Chairman, Michigan Tax Tribunal

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