



# Rhode Island Division of Taxation

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## Rhode Island tax update

The following update for practitioners and taxpayers includes information about this week's public hearing on proposed regulations, a new report on tax credits, and a new website for the state's tax amnesty program.

### Public hearing tomorrow

The Tax Division will hold a public hearing tomorrow – Thursday, August 23 – on [several proposed regulations](#). In general, the regulations involve changes that will take effect on October 1 -- including the extension of the sales tax to certain clothing, pet care services, taxi services, and limousine services.

The hearing starts at 9:30 a.m. and will be held at the Powers Building, One Capitol Hill, Providence. Thus far, the Tax Division has received nearly 300 public comments about the proposed regulations, most of them having to do with pet care services.

### New report on tax credits

The latest annual [report on Rhode Island tax credits and incentives](#) is now available on the Tax Division's website. This year's report shows that 36 entities received a total of \$41.97 million in Rhode Island tax credits and other state tax incentives for the year ended June 30, 2012. The report lists the name and address of each recipient, and how much each received.

### Tax amnesty website

Rhode Island's tax amnesty program now has its own website – [www.TaxAmnesty.ri.gov](http://www.TaxAmnesty.ri.gov) – to provide information to practitioners and taxpayers about the coming amnesty. The Tax Division is in the process of adding information to the site in preparation for amnesty, which officially begins on September 2, 2012, and runs through November 15, 2012.

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