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So much of the recommendations of the Inspector General (House, No. 11) as relates to Chapter 30B notification. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)  
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An Act relative to Chapter 30B notification.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1           SECTION 1. Section 17 of chapter 30B of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014  
2   Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following paragraphs:

3           (e) A contractor shall provide written notification to the inspector general within 60 days  
4   whenever the contractor has credible evidence that a principal, employee, agent or subcontractor  
5   of such contractor has, in connection with the award, performance, or closeout of a contract or  
6   any subcontract thereunder:

7           (1) committed a violation of criminal law;

8           (2) committed a violation of sections 5A to 5J of chapter 12, the Massachusetts false  
9   claims act;

10          (3) committed a violation of this chapter; or

11          (4) received a material overpayment on the contract.

12           (f) The inspector general may impose a suspension or debarment, as defined in section  
13   29F of chapter 29, on a contractor as to contracts executed pursuant to this chapter, based upon a  
14   preponderance of the evidence, for knowing failure by the contractor to provide the written  
15   notification required in paragraph (e). Prior to the suspension or debarment of a contractor under  
16   this section, the inspector general shall provide such contractor with the same notice and option  
17   for a hearing as provided to contractors under subsections (d) and (e) of section 29F of chapter  
18   29.