Client Advisory: New Massachusetts Sales Tax on Software Related Services is Repealed

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On September 27, 2013 Governor Deval Patrick signed a law repealing a sales tax that had been imposed on the sale of computer software-related services. The repeal is retroactive to July 31, 2013. As a non-profit organization exempt from taxation under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, Harvard would have been exempt from paying this Massachusetts sales tax whenever the purchases of services was for use in furtherance of its exempted purposes. M.G.L. Ch. 64H § 6(e).