

The Key To Affordable Housing

# REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR TREASURY MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE (Cash Flow, Debt, Investment)

#### October 7, 2014

#### I. Background

The Connecticut Housing Finance Authority (the "Authority" or "CHFA") was created in 1969 by the State Legislature, as a public instrumentality and political subdivision of the State of Connecticut for the purpose of increasing the supply of and encouraging and assisting in the purchase, development, and construction of housing for low and moderate income families and persons throughout the State. CHFA's stated mission is to help alleviate the shortage of affordable housing for low and moderate income families and persons in Connecticut, and when appropriate, to promote or maintain the economic development of the State through employer-assisted housing.

#### **II.** Proposed Scope of Services

The Authority is requesting Proposals (the "RFP") from qualified vendors or authorized agents, for a Treasury Management Software (the "Software") to allow the Authority to manage its cash, debt and investment activities along with performing debt service and cash flow projections. The proposed contract will be for a three-year period.

Since its inception, the Authority has issued over \$16 billion of tax exempt and taxable bonds of which proceeds from the bonds were used to purchase single family loans and make multifamily loans. Currently, the Authority is relying on on-line banking information and manually reconciling cash flows and inventory of securities using spreadsheets. The Authority requires the Software to (i) monitor and control investments and risks, (ii) track and perform projections of its various bond programs with multiple bond series, fixed rates and variable rates, (iii) account for any accruals, deferrals, discounts, premiums, amortized and unamortized items along with any loans and investments associated to each bond program, (iv) improve liquidity planning, and (v) communicate and interface with the Authority's trustee and custodian. As of December 31, 2013, the Authority has approximately \$4.2 billion of debt outstanding. Please refer to the Authority's 2013 audited financial statements for more information.

#### **III.** Requested Information

Each respondent to the RFP must provide the following information:

- 1. A brief description of your organization and previous experience in providing such software as described in this RFP. Indicate the total number of staff in your organization and the number of staff that you expect to assign to this project.
- 2. Vendor Contact information with the following information:
  - Vendor Name
  - Contact Name
  - Address
  - Email Address
  - Telephone Number
  - Tax Identification Number (TIN)
- 3. Cost breakdown to procure the Software. Breakdown should include but not limited to, plan and specs, installation, training, conversion, and support. Please indicate any specific price reductions or discounts made available to government agencies.
- 4. The vendor is recommended to include the service level agreement with its proposal. This agreement shall contain parameters for the following measurements at a minimum:
  - Performance (response time to problem notification)
  - Availability (Mean Time Between Failures, Mean Time To Repair)
  - Configuration (add/remove/modify)
  - Support (Help Desk) Availability / Location or locations
  - Emergency Response Process
  - Infrastructure Needs (Server, Memory, Storage, Database, Backup devices, etc)
  - Provide any brochures or other collateral information
- 5. The vendor shall provide details of its warranty period and ongoing (postwarranty) product maintenance/support costs, policies, procedures and other options. The description should include, but not be limited to, frequency of regularly scheduled upgrades and/or policies on implementation of routine or emergency fixes. Vendor and CHFA's responsibilities must be clearly listed. If warranty period support provides different service levels or requires different procedures, then the services and procedures for both warranty support and ongoing maintenance/support must be separately listed and identified.
- 6. CHFA assumes that System Maintenance/Support terms and pricing only applies to maintenance/support services after expiration of the initial system warranty period. If warranty period support is not included in initial purchase/implementation cost, it must be separately listed and identified. Annual support plan renewal must be offered and pricing metrics must be identified, including known or estimated annual increases.

- 7. The vendor shall provide as reference a minimum of three (3) clients for whom your organization has performed similar consulting services. For each reference, please provide a contact person and his or her telephone number and email address.
- 8. The vendor shall provide current documentation regarding liability insurance.
- 9. Submit specific information regarding your company's commitment to Affirmative Action. Please include at a minimum formal internal hiring practices and discussion of working relationships with women and minority owned companies. Please include your company's most recent EEOC report.
- 10. Have you or your company or a predecessor firm ever been removed from an account prior to the expiration of its contract? If so, please explain.
- 11. Discuss any criminal investigations or criminal complaints regarding the conduct of your company, the company's management or any individuals assigned to work with CHFA that might affect your ability to deliver services described in this RFP. Discuss any such investigation or complaint that has occurred during the past two years.
- 12. List the case name and court docket number of any civil action or proceeding brought against your company in the last two years.
- 13. Describe your presence in Connecticut, if any. Also include any participation by your company in any civic or other non-profit activities, including any contributions that your company made.
- 14. Execute and submit with your proposal submission the attached certification regarding Connecticut General Statutes (CGS) §4-250 and §4-252a.

  Companies must execute the attached Statutory Provisions, certifications and affidavits if selected to contract with CHFA.

#### IV. Submission Deadline

Responses to this RFP must be received by the Authority no later than 12:00 noon, November 5, 2014.

#### V. Evaluation Criteria

Vendors will be considered on the basis of their response to this RFP, additional written information as requested by CHFA and oral interviews, if any, but not limited to the following criteria:

- 1. Reputation and experience of the vendor
- 2. Organization and approach of vendor to complete project
- 3. Cost
- 4. Qualifications of personnel
- 5. Functionality
- 6. Support and Training
- 7. Data Conversion / Ease of Transition
- 8. Turnkey Operation

Taking all factors into account, CHFA reserves the right to select one or more vendors or none at all at this time.

#### VI. Submission Requirements

1. Two (2) originals along with a flash drive containing a copy of the proposal in PDF format should be delivered in a **sealed envelope** to:

Connecticut Housing Finance Authority

Attn: Hazim Taib

Vice President – Finance, CFO

999 West Street

Rocky Hill, CT 06067

2. Proposals received after the Submission Deadline date and time may result in the CHFA's rejection of the Proposal.

Proposals must include a cover letter signed by an individual authorized to enter into a contract with the CHFA on behalf of the organization, acknowledging that the company agrees to be bound by all terms and conditions of the RFP and affirming that all information contained in the Proposal is true and accurately portrays all aspects of the services to be provided.

#### VII. General Instructions

1. Qualified vendors can submit questions to the Authority for clarifications or for more information. Questions must be received by the Authority on or before October 15, 2014. The Authority reserves the right to answer or not to answer a question. If the Authority decides to answer a question, the answer will be posted on the Authority's website. All questions or requests for further information should be directed to Hazim Taib by emailing to hazim.taib@chfa.org and faxed to (860) 257-8375. Any other ex parte communication regarding this RFP is NOT permitted and may be grounds for elimination from further consideration.

- 2. Contained in this Request for Proposal are a copy of CHFA's 2014A Official Statement and the 2013 audited financial statement. These documents should provide a general overview of the Authority.
- 3. Failure to comply with the requirements of this RFP may result in CHFA's rejection of a Proposal.
- 4. CHFA is under no obligation to select a vendor or acquire software as a result of this RFP and has the right to withdraw the RFP at any time.
- 5. CHFA shall not be liable for any pre-contract costs incurred by any organization participating in the selection process.
- 6. All matters set forth in a Proposal shall become the property of CHFA and may be disclosed by CHFA after the awarding of the contract. The contents of each Proposal will be available for public inspection after the awarding of a contract.
- 7. CHFA is exempt from the payment of excise and sales taxes imposed by the Federal Government and/or the State. Proposers remain liable, however, for any other applicable taxes.
- 8. CHFA reserves the right to: reject any and all Proposals received in response to this request; negotiate the fees and charges contained in any Proposal, and is not obligated to accept a Proposal based upon the lowest fee schedule; accept a Proposal based on considerations other than costs; accept multiple Proposals based on software functionality; waive or modify any irregularities or informalities in Proposals received; award contracts in any manner necessary to serve the best interest of the CHFA and request additional information as determined necessary.
- 9. Respondents should also be aware of the following:
  - a) The agreement between CHFA and the selected organization will be evidenced by a written contract (the "Contract"), which shall incorporate this RFP, the Proposal and any related correspondence. In executing such Contract, the selected organization agrees to be bound by the terms and conditions of this RFP, and that all representations, warranties and commitments in the Proposal and related correspondence are contractual obligations. In the event of any conflict in the terms and conditions between the RFP, Proposal and any related correspondence, the RFP shall control.
  - b) Any work product issued or produced for CHFA, belongs to CHFA. CHFA is and shall not be required to seek approval(s) from the company for the use of such work product (for the benefit of CHFA and its business activities).

#### TO BE SUBMITTED WITH RESPONSES

## CERTIFICATION REGARDING CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES § 4-250 Gift and Campaign Contribution Certification

(for contracts valued at \$50,000 or more in a calendar or fiscal year)

Contractor hereby swears as true to the best knowledge and belief of the person signing below

- (1) That no gifts were made by (A) the Contractor, (B) any principals and key personnel of the Contractor, who participate substantially in preparing bids, proposals or negotiating state Contracts, or (C) any agent of the Contractor or principals and key personnel, who participate substantially in preparing bids, proposals or negotiating state Contracts to (i) any public official or employee of CHFA soliciting bids or proposals for the Contract, who participates substantially in preparation of bid solicitations or requests for proposals for the Contract or the negotiation or award of the Contract, or (ii) any public official or state employee of any other state agency who has supervisory or appointing authority over CHFA;
- (2) That no such principals and key personnel of the Contractor or agent of the Contractor or principals and key personnel, knows of any action by the Contractor to circumvent such prohibition on gifts by providing for any other principals and key personnel, official, employee or agent of the Contractor to provide a gift to any such public official or state employee; and
- (3) That the Contractor is submitting bids or proposals without fraud or collusion with any person.

Any bidder or proposer that does not make the certification required under (1) through (3) above shall be disqualified and CHFA shall award the contract to the next highest ranked proposer or the next lowest responsible qualified bidder or seek new bids or proposals.

(4) Contractor further swe		lowing are all contributions made or state-wide public office or the C	
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Subscribed and sworn to subject to the penalties of false statement, Connecticut General Statutes § 53a-157b.

certification or updated certification.

submit an accurate, updated certification not later than 14 days after the 12-month anniversary of the most recently filed

Contractor Name Personnel	Signature of Principal or Key
Federal Employer ID Number or Social Security Number	Printed Name or Key Personnel
Sworn and subscribed before me on this day of	, 20
	Notary Public/Commissioner of the Superior Court

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### STATUTORY PROVISIONS, AFFIDAVITS AND CERTIFICATIONS

RE: Contract ("Contract") by and between,	
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of the Contractor, an entity duly formed and existing under the	laws of the State of Connecticut hereby certify as follows:
I am over the age of eighteen (18) and understand and apprecia	te the obligations of an oath:
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attach additional pages as required

Contractor agrees to update this affidavit on an annual basis.

### FOR INVESTMENT SERVICES DISCLOSURE OF THIRD PARTY FEES CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES §3-13j

Contractor hereby swears and attests that all third party fees\* attributable to the Contract whenever paid are as follows:

Name of Payee	Dollar amount of value of non- cash compensation & date	Fee arrangement	Specific services performed by payee
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(attach additional pages as required)

### AFFIDAVIT AND CERTIFICATION REGARDING CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES § 4a-81 Consultant Affidavit

(for contracts valued at \$50,000 or more in any calendar or fiscal year)

Contractor hereby swears and attests as true to the best knowledge and belief of the person signing below that no consulting agreement as defined in Connecticut General Statutes § 4a-81 has been entered into a connection with the Contract, except as follows:

For each consultant, list the name of the consultant, the consultants from the basic terms of the consulting agreement, a brief description of the services provided, and an indicator as to whether the consultant is a former state employee or public official. If the consultant is a former state employee or public official, indicate his or her former agency and the date such employment terminated.

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Contractor hereby agrees to amend this affidavit whenever any new consulting agreement is entered into during the term of the Contract. Failure to comply will result in disqualification.

Contractor hereby acknowledges receipt of:

- SEEC Form 10, Notice of Connecticut General Statutes § 9-612(g)(2)
- CHFA Ethics Statement
- Connecticut Public Act No. 14-227 regarding Whistleblowing

<sup>\*</sup>Third party fees includes, but is not limited to: management fees, placement agent fees, solicitation fees, referral fees, promotion fees, introduction or matchmaker fees and due diligence fees or as otherwise defined in Connecticut General Statutes Section 3-13j or any amendments thereto.

## CERTIFICATION REGARDING CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES § 4-252a Prohibiting State Contracts with Entities Making Certain Investments in Iran

Is your principal place of business located out	side of the United States?	
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#### Effective: October 1, 2011

Connecticut General Statutes Annotated Currentness

Title 4A. Administrative Services (Refs & Annos)

Se Chapter 58. Purchases and Printing (Refs & Annos)

 $\rightarrow \rightarrow \S$  4a-60. Nondiscrimination and affirmative action provisions in contracts of the state and political subdivisions other than municipalities

- (a) Every contract to which the state or any political subdivision of the state other than a municipality is a party shall contain the following provisions:
- (1) The contractor agrees and warrants that in the performance of the contract such contractor will not discriminate or permit discrimination against any person or group of persons on the grounds of race, coun fulgious creed, age, marital status, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity or expression, intellectual disability, mental disability or physical disability, including, but not limited to, blindness, unless it is shown by such contractor that such disability prevents performance of the work involved, in any manuel prohibited by the laws of the United States or of the state of Connecticut; and the contractor further grees to take affirmative action to insure that applicants with job-related qualifications are employed and max employees are treated when employed without regard to their race, color, religious creed, age, marital status, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity or expression, intellectual disability, mental intellity or physical disability, including, but not limited to, blindness, unless it is shown by such contractor that such disability prevents performance of the work in-volved;
- (2) The contractor agrees in at solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, to state that it is an "affirmative action-equal opportunity employer" in accordance with regulations adopted by the companion:
- (1) The contractor agrees to provide each labor union or representative of workers with which such contractor has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding and each vendor with which such contractor has a contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the commission advising the labor union or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this section, and to post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment;
- (4) The contractor agrees to comply with each provision of this section and sections 46a-68e and 46a-68f and with each regulation or relevant order issued by said commission pursuant to sections 46a-56, 46a-68e and 46a-68f; and

- (5) The contractor agrees to provide the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities with such information requested by the commission, and permit access to pertinent books, records and accounts, concerning the employment practices and procedures of the contractor as relate to the provisions of this section and section 46a-56.
- (b) If the contract is a public works contract, the contractor agrees and warrants that he will make good faith efforts to employ minority business enterprises as subcontractors and suppliers of materials on such public works project.
- (c) (1) Any contractor who has one or more contracts with the state or a political subdivision of the state that is valued at less than fifty thousand dollars for each year of the contract shall provide the state or such political subdivision of the state with a written or electronic representation that complies with the nondiscrimination agreement and warranty under subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of this section, provided if there is any change in such representation, the contractor shall provide the updated representation to the state or such political subdivision not later than thirty days after such change.
- (2) Any contractor who has one or more contracts with the state or a political subdivision of the state of a political subdivision of the state or such political subdivision of the state with any one of the following:
- (A) Documentation in the form of a company or corporate policy advited by resolution of the board of directors, shareholders, managers, members or other governing body of such contractor that complies with the nondiscrimination agreement and warranty under subdivision (1) of this section;
- (B) Documentation in the form of the campany or corporate policy adopted by a prior resolution of the board of directors, shareholders, managers, members or other governing body of such contractor if (i) the prior resolution is certified by a duty authorized corporate officer of such contractor to be in effect on the date the documentation is submitted, and (ii) the head of the agency of the state or such political subdivision, or a designee, certifies that the prior resolution complies with the nondiscrimination agreement and warranty under subdivision (1) of this section (a) of this section; or
- (C) Documentation in the form of an affidavit signed under penalty of false statement by a chief executive officer, president, chairperson or other corporate officer duly authorized to adopt company or corporate policy that certifies that the company or corporate policy of the contractor complies with the nondiscrimination agreement and warranty under subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of this section and is in effect on the date the affidavit is signed.
- (3) Neither the state nor any political subdivision shall award a contract to a contractor who has not provided the representation or documentation required under subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection, as applicable. After the initial submission of such representation or documentation, the contractor shall not be required to resubmit such representation or documentation unless there is a change in the information contained in such representation or documentation. If there is any change in the information contained in the most recently filed representa-

tion or updated documentation, the contractor shall submit an updated representation or documentation, as applicable, either (A) not later than thirty days after the effective date of such change, or (B) upon the execution of a new contract with the state or a political subdivision of the state, whichever is earlier. Such contractor shall also certify, in accordance with subparagraph (B) or (C) of subdivision (2) of this subsection, to the state or political subdivision, not later than fourteen days after the twelve-month anniversary of the most recently filed representation, documentation or updated representation or documentation, that the representation on file with the state or political subdivision is current and accurate.

- (d) For the purposes of this section, "contract" includes any extension or modification of the contract, "contractor" includes any successors or assigns of the contractor, "marital status" means being single, married as recognized by the state of Connecticut, widowed, separated or divorced, and "mental disability" means one or more mental disorders, as defined in the most recent edition of the American Psychiatric Association's "Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders", or a record of or regarding a person as having one or more such disorders. For the purposes of this section, "contract" does not include a contract where each contractor is (1) a political subdivision of the state, including, but not limited to, a municipality, (2) a quasi-public agency, as defined in section 1-120, (3) any other state, as defined in section 1-267, (4) the federal government (5) a foreign government, or (6) an agency of a subdivision, agency, state or government described in supparagraph (1), (2), (3), (4) or (5) of this subsection.
- (e) For the purposes of this section, "minority business enterprise" means any small contractor or supplier of materials fifty-one per cent or more of the capital stock, if any, or assets of which is owned by a person or persons: (1) Who are active in the daily affairs of the enterprise, (2) who have the power to direct the management and policies of the enterprise, and (3) who are members of a principly, as such term is defined in subsection (a) of section 32-9n; and "good faith" means that degree of diligence which a reasonable person would exercise in the performance of legal duties and obligations (Good faith efforts" shall include, but not be limited to, those reasonable initial efforts necessary to comply with statutory or regulatory requirements and additional or substituted efforts when it is determined that such initial efforts will not be sufficient to comply with such require-ments.
- (f) Determination of the contractor's good faith efforts shall include but shall not be limited to the following factors. The contractor's employment and subcontracting policies, patterns and practices; affirmative advertising recruitment and training; technical assistance activities and such other reasonable activities or efforts as the commission may prescribe that are designed to ensure the participation of minority business enterprises in public works projects.
- (g) The contractor shall develop and maintain adequate documentation, in a manner prescribed by the commission, of its good faith efforts.
- (h) The contractor shall include the provisions of subsections (a) and (b) of this section in every subcontract or purchase order entered into in order to fulfill any obligation of a contract with the state and such provisions shall be binding on a subcontractor, vendor or manufacturer unless exempted by regulations or orders of the commission. The contractor shall take such action with respect to any such subcontract or purchase order as the commis-

sion may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance in accordance with section 46a-56; provided, if such contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the commission, the contractor may request the state of Connecticut to enter into any such litigation or negotiation prior thereto to protect the interests of the state and the state may so enter.

FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY

Sec. 4a-60a. Contracts of the state and political subdivisions, other than municipalities, to contain provisions re nondiscrimination on the basis of sexual orientation. (a) Every contract to which the state or any political subdivision of the state other than a municipality is a party shall contain the following provisions:

- (1) The contractor agrees and warrants that in the performance of the contract such contractor will not discriminate or permit discrimination against any person or group of persons on the grounds of sexual orientation, in any manner prohibited by the laws of the United States or of the state of Connecticut, and that employees are treated when employed without regard to their sexual orientation;
- (2) The contractor agrees to provide each labor union or representative of workers with which such contractor has a collective bargaining agreement of other contract or understanding and each vendor with which such contractor has a contract or understanding, notice to be provided by the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities advising the labor union or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this section and to post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- (3) The contractor agrees to comply with each provision of this section and with each regulation or relevant order issued by said commission pursuant to section 46a-56; and
- (4) The contractor agrees to provide the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities with such information requested by the commission, and permit access to pertinent books, records and accounts, concerning the employment practices and procedures of the contractor which relate to the provisions of this section and section 46a-56.
- (b) (1) Any contractor who has one or more contracts with the state or a political subdivision of the state that is valued at less than fifty thousand dollars for each year of the contract shall provide the state or such political subdivision of the state with a written representation that complies with the

nondiscrimination agreement and warranty under subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of this section.

- (2) Any contractor who has one or more contracts with the state or a political subdivision of the state that is valued at fifty thousand dollars or more for any year of the contract shall provide the state or such political subdivision of the state with any of the following:
- (A) Documentation in the form of a company or corporate policy adopted by resolution of the board of directors, shareholders, managers, members or other governing body of such contractor that complies with the nondiscrimination agreement and warranty under subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of this section;
- (B) Documentation in the form of a company or corporate policy adopted by a prior resolution of the board of directors, shareholders, managers, members or other governing body of such contractor if (i) the prior resolution is certified by a duly authorized corporate officer of such contractor to be in effect on the date the documentation is submitted, and (ii) the head of the agency of the state or such political subdivision, or a designee, certifies that the prior resolution complies with the nondiscrimination agreement and warranty under subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of this section; or
- (C) Documentation in the form of an affidavit signed under penalty of false statement by a chief executive officer, president chairperson or other corporate officer duly authorized to adopt company or corporate policy that certifies that the company or corporate policy of the contractor complies with the nondiscrimination agreement and warranty under subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of this section and is in effect on the date the affidavit is signed.
- (3) Neither the state nor any political subdivision shall award a contract to a contractor who has not provided the representation or documentation required under subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection, as applicable. After the initial submission of such representation or documentation, the contractor shall not be required to resubmit such representation or documentation unless there is a change in the information contained in such representation or documentation. If there is any change in the information contained in the most recently filed representation or updated documentation, the contractor shall submit an updated representation or documentation, as

- applicable, either (A) not later than thirty days after the effective date of such change, or (B) upon the execution of a new contract with the state or a political subdivision of the state, whichever is earlier. Such contractor shall also certify, in accordance with subparagraph (B) or (C) of subdivision (2) of this subsection, to the state or political subdivision, not later than fourteen days after the twelve-month anniversary of the most recently filed representation, documentation or updated representation or documentation, that the representation on file with the state or political subdivision is current and accurate.
- (4) For the purposes of this section, "contract" includes any extension or modification of the contract, and "contractor" includes any successors or assigns of the contractor. For the purposes of this section, "contract" does not include a contract where each contractor is (A) a political subdivision of the state, including, but not limited to, a municipality, (B) a quasi-public agency, as defined in section 1-120, (C) any other state, as defined in section 1-267, (D) the federal government, (E) a foreign government, or (F) an agency of a subdivision, agency, state or government described in subvariagraph (A), (B), (C), (D) or (E) of this subdivision.
- (c) The contractor shall include the provisions of subsection (a) of this section in every subcontract or purchase order entered into in order in fulfill any obligation of a contract with the state principle of a provisions shall be binding on a subcontractor with vehdor or manufacturer unless exempted by regulation or orders of the commission. The contractor shall take were action with respect to any such subcontract or purchase order as the commission may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance in accordance with section 46a-56; provided, if such contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the commission, the contractor may request the state of Connecticut to enter into any such litigation or negotiation prior thereto to protect the interests of the state and the state may so enter.

Westlaw. C.G.S.A. § 31-57b

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#### Effective:[See Text Amendments]

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Title 31, Labor

Na Chapter 557. Employment Regulation (Refs & Annos)

► Part III. State Contracts (Refs & Annos)

→ → § 31-57b. Awarding of contracts to occupational safety and health law violators prohibited

No contract shall be awarded by the state or any of its political subdivisions to any person or firm or any firm, corporation, partnership or association in which such persons or firms have an interest (1) which has been cited for three or more wilful or serious violations of any occupational safety and health act or of any standard, order or regulation promulgated pursuant to such act, during the three-year period preceding the bid, provided such violations were cited in accordance with the provisions of any state occupational safety and health act or the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, [FN1] and not abated within the time fixed by the citation and such citation has not been set aside following appeal to the appropriate agency or court having jurisdiction of control has received one or more criminal convictions related to the injury or death of any employer in the three-year period preceding the bid. Any person who knowingly provides false information concerning the information required pursuant to this section shall be assessed a civil penalty of not less than five hondred dollars nor more than five thousand dollars and shall be disqualified from bidding on any actional representation that the information is false. Any political subdivisions for five years from the date of the una determination that the information was provided, the commissioner of Administrative Services and the provision of such notice, the commissioner shall conduct a hearing in accordance with the provision of chapter 54. [FN2] Upon a determination that false information was provided, the commissioner shall impose a civil penalty in accordance with the provisions of this section. Such civil penalty shall be penalty of the Treasurer or to an official of the political subdivision, as the case may be. Any civil penalty shall be provided to institute civil actions or, in the case of the state, by the attorney general, upon complaint while Commissioner of Administrative Services.

Westlaw. c.g.s.a. § 4-250

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Effective: July 10, 2007

Connecticut General Statutes Annotated Currentness
Title 4. Management of State Agencies
□ Chapter 55C. Large State Contracts; Gift Affidavits and Certifications
→→ § 4-250. Definitions

As used in sections 4-250 to 4-252:

(1) "Gift" has the same meaning as provided in section 1-79, except that the exclusion in subdivision (12) of subsection (e) of said section 1-79 for a gift for the celebration of a major life event shall not apply;

(2) "Quasi-public agency", "public official" and "state employee" have the same meaning of provided in section 1-79;

(3) "State agency" means any office, department, board, council, commission, institution or other agency in the executive, legislative or judicial branch of state government

- (4) "Large state contract" means an agreement of a combination or series of agreements between a state agency or a quasi-public agency and a possent tilm or corporation, having a total value of more than five hundred thousand dollars in a calendar or tical year, for (A) a project for the construction, alteration or repair of any public building or public work, (B) services, including, but not limited to, consulting and professional services, (C) the procurement of supplies, materials or equipment, (D) a lease, or (E) a licensing arrangement. The term "large state contract" shall not include a contract between a state agency or a quasi-public agency and a political subdivision of the state;
- (5) "Principals and key personnel" means officers, directors, shareholders, members, partners and managerial employees; and
- (6) "Participated substantially" means participation that is direct, extensive and substantive, and not peripheral, clerical or ministerial.

Westlaw. c.g.s.a. § 4-251

Effective: July 13, 2011

Connecticut General Statutes Annotated Currentness
Title 4. Management of State Agencies

¬□ Chapter 55C. Large State Contracts: Gift Affidavits and Certifications

→ → § 4-251. Repealed. (2011, P.A. 11-229, § 10, eff. July 13, 2011.)

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Westlaw. c.g.s.a. § 4-252

Effective: October 1, 2011

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Title 4. Management of State Agencies

□ Chapter 55C. Large State Contracts: Gift Affidavits and Certifications

→ § 4-252. Certifications

- (a) On and after July 1, 2006, no state agency or quasi-public agency shall execute a large state contract unless the state agency or quasi-public agency obtains the written or electronic certification described in this section. Each such certification shall be swom as true to the best knowledge and belief of the person signing the certification, subject to the penalties of false statement. If there is any change in the information contained in the most recently filed certification, such person shall submit an updated certification either (1) not later than thirty days after the effective date of any such change, or (2) upon the submittal of any new bid or proposal for a large state contract, whichever is earlier. Such person shall also submit to the state agency or quasi-public agency an acceptate, updated certification not later than fourteen days after the twelve-month anniversary of the most recently filed certification or updated certification.
- (b) The official or employee of such state agency or quasi-public agency who is authorized to execute state contracts shall certify that the selection of the most qualified or hierest ranked person, firm or corporation was not the result of collusion, the giving of a gift or the promise of a gift, compensation, fraud or inappropriate influence from any person.
- (c) Any principal or key personne of the person, firm or corporation submitting a bid or proposal for a large state contract shall certify:
- (1) That logifts were made by (A) such person, firm, corporation, (B) any principals and key personnel of the person, irm or corporation, who participate substantially in preparing bids, proposals or negotiating state contracts, or (C) any agent of such person, firm, corporation or principals and key personnel, who participates substantially in preparing bids, proposals or negotiating state contracts, to (i) any public official or state employee of the state agency or quasi-public agency soliciting bids or proposals for state contracts, who participates substantially in the preparation of bid solicitations or requests for proposals for state contracts or the negotiation or award of state contracts, or (ii) any public official or state employee of any other state agency, who has supervisory or appointing authority over such state agency or quasi-public agency;
- (2) That no such principals and key personnel of the person, firm or corporation, or agent of such person, firm or corporation or principals and key personnel, knows of any action by the person, firm or corporation to circumvent such prohibition on gifts by providing for any other principals and key personnel, official, employee or agent of the person, firm or corporation to provide a gift to any such public official or state employee; and

- (3) That the person, firm or corporation is submitting bids or proposals without fraud or collusion with any person.
- (d) Any bidder or proposer that does not make the certification required under this section shall be disqualified and the state agency or quasi-public agency shall award the contract to the next highest ranked proposer or the next lowest responsible qualified bidder or seek new bids or proposals.
- (e) Each state agency and quasi-public agency shall include in the bid specifications or request for proposals for a large state contract a notice of the certification requirements of this section.

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Westlaw. c.g.s.a. § 3-13j

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#### Effective: [See Text Amendments]

Connecticut General Statutes Annotated Currentness

Title 3. State Elective Officers

□ Chapter 32. Treasurer

□ Part I. General Provisions

→→ § 3-13j. Third party fees in investments by Treasurer or quasi-public agencies

- (a) Prior to the Treasurer entering into a contract for investment services, as defined in section 9-612, any person or entity who would be a party to that contract shall disclose to the Treasurer, in writing, all third party fees attributable to such contract. Such disclosure shall be made by firms providing such services and shall be in a sworn affidavit in a manner and form prescribed in regulations which shall be adopted by the Treasurer, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, [FN1] not later than three months after May 3, 2000. Information disclosed under this subsection shall be made available for public inspection in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, as defined in section 1-200.
- (b) Prior to any quasi-public agency, as defined in section 1-120, entering into a contract for investment services, as defined in section 9-612, any person or entity who would be a party to that contract shall disclose to the quasi-public agency entering into the contract, in writing, all third party fees attributable to such contract. Such disclosure shall be made by firms providing such ervices and shall be in a sworn affidavit in a manner and form as prescribed in procedures which shall be adopted by each such agency, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 12, [FN2] not later than three the the after May 3, 2000. Information disclosed under this subsection shall be made available for proble hypertion in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, as defined in section 1-200.

(c) for harposes of this section and section 3-13k, "third party fees" includes, but is not limited to, management res, placement agent fees, solicitation fees, referral fees, promotion fees, introduction or matchmaker fees, and due diligence fees.

- (d) Any person who violates any provision of this section shall be liable for a civil penalty not to exceed two thousand dollars for each violation.
- (1) The Attorney General, upon complaint of the Treasurer, may bring an action in the superior court for the judicial district of Hartford to recover such penalty for a violation of this section which affects a fund of the state. Any penalty imposed under this section for a violation which affects any such fund shall be paid to the Treasurer who shall deposit such moneys in such fund.

(2) Any quasi-public agency, as defined in section 1-120, may bring an action in the superior court to recover such penalty for a violation of this section which affects any fund under the control of such agency. Any penalty imposed under this section for a violation which affects any such fund shall be paid to such agency which shall deposit such moneys in such fund.

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Title 4A. Administrative Services (Refs & Annos)

ra Chapter 58. Purchases and Printing (Refs & Annos)

 $\rightarrow \rightarrow \S$  4a-81. Contracts for goods and services over fifty thousand dollars. Affidavit by bidder or vendor re consulting agreements. Failure to submit. Disqualification

- (a) No state agency or quasi-public agency shall execute a contract for the purchase of goods or services, which contract has a total value to the state of fifty thousand dollars or more in any calendar or fiscal year, unless the state agency or quasi-public agency obtains the affidavit described in subsection (b) of this section.
- (b) (1) Any principal or key personnel of a person, firm or corporation who submit bids or proposals for a contract described in subsection (a) of this section shall attest in an affidavit as to whether any consuling agreement has been entered into in connection with any such contract. Such affidavit shall be required if any daties of the consultant included communications concerning business of a state or quasi-public agency, whether or not direct contact with a state agency, state or public official or state employee was expected or hade. As used in this section, "consulting agreement" means any written or oral agreement to retain the services, for a fee, of a consultant for the purposes of (A) providing counsel to a contractor, vendor consultant or other entity seeking to conduct, or conducting, business with the state, (B) contacting whether in writing or orally, any executive, judicial, or administrative office of the state, including any department, institution, bureau, board, commission, authority, official or employee for the purpose of solic attors despute resolution, introduction, requests for information, or (C) any other similar activity related to such contracts. "Consulting agreement" does not include any agreements entered into with a consultant with such stated under the provisions of chapter 10 [FN1] as of the date such affidavit is submitted in accordance with the provisions of this section.

(2) Such affidavit shall be sworn as true to the best knowledge and belief of the person signing the certification on the affidavit and shall be subject to the penalties of false statement.

- (3) Such affidavit shall include the following information for each consulting agreement listed: The name of the consultant, the consultant's firm, the basic terms of the consulting agreement, a brief description of the services provided, and an indication as to whether the consultant is a former state employee or public official. If the consultant is a former state employee or public official, such affidavit shall indicate his or her former agency and the date such employment terminated.
- (4) After the initial submission of such affidavit, the principal or key personnel of the person, firm or corporation shall not be required to resubmit such affidavit unless there is a change in the information contained in such affidavit. If there is any change in the information contained in the most recently filed affidavit required under

this section, the principal or key personnel of a person, firm or corporation who submit bids or proposals for a contract described in subsection (a) of this section shall submit an updated affidavit either (A) not later than thirty days after the effective date of any such change, or (B) upon the submittal of any new bid or proposal, whichever is earlier.

- (c) Each state agency and quasi-public agency shall include a notice of the affidavit requirements of this section in the bid specifications or request for proposals for any contract that is described in subsection (a) of this section.
- (d) In the event that a bidder or vendor refuses to submit the affidavit required under subsection (b) of this section, such bidder or vendor shall be disqualified and the state agency or quasi-public agency shall award the contract to the next highest ranked vendor or the next lowest responsible qualified bidder or seek new bids or proposals

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#### CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES § 4-252a

Sec. 4-252a. Certification re whether making certain investments in Iran. (a) For purposes of this section, "state agency" and "quasi-public agency" have the same meanings as provided in section 1-79, "large state contract" has the same meaning as provided in section 4-250 and "entity" means any corporation, general partnership, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, joint venture, nonprofit organization or other business organization whose principal place of business is located outside of the United States, but excludes any United States subsidiary of a foreign corporation.

(b) No state agency or quasi-public agency shall enter into any large state contract, or amend or renew any such contract with any entity who (1) has failed to submit a written certification indicating whether or not such entity has made a direct investment of twenty million dollars or more in the energy sector of Iran on or after October 1, 2013, as deshribed in Section 202 of the Comprehensive Iran Sanction.

Accountability and Divestment Act of 2010, or has increased or renewed such investment on or after said late, or (2) has submitted a written certification indicating that such entity has made such an investment or or after October 1, 2013, or has increased or renewed such an investment on or after said date. Each such certification shall be sworn as true to the best knowledge and be left of the entity signing the certification, subject to the penalties of false statement.

(c) Each state agency and quasi-public agency shall include in the bid specifications or request for proposals for a large state contract a notice of the certification requirements of this section. Prior to submitting a bid or proposal for a large state contract, each bidder or proposer who is an entity shall submit a certification that such bidder or proposer has or has not made an investment as described in subsection (b) of this section.

(d) Any entity who makes a good faith effort to determine whether such entity has made an investment described in subsection (b) of this section shall not be subject to the penalties of false statement pursuant to this section. A "good faith effort" for purposes of this subsection includes a determination that such entity is not on the list of persons who engage in certain investment activities in Iran created by the Department of General Services of the state of California pursuant to Division 2, Chapter 2.7 of the California Public

Contract Code. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to impair the ability of the state agency or quasi-public agency to pursue a breach of contract action for any violation of the provisions of the contract.

(e) The provisions of this section shall not apply to any contract of the Treasurer as trustee of the Connecticut retirement plans and trust funds, as defined in section 3-13c, provided nothing in this subsection shall be construed to prevent the Treasurer from performing his or her fiduciary duties under section 3-13g.

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## Notice to Executive Branch State Contractors and Prospective State Contractors of Campaign Contribution and Solicitation Limitations

Acknowledgement of Receipt of Explanation of Prohibitions for Incorporation in Contracting and Bidding Documents

This notice is provided under the authority of Connecticut General Statutes §9-612(g)(2), as amended by P.A. 10-1, and is for the purpose of informing state contractors and prospective state contractors of the following law (italicized words are defined on the reverse side of this page).

#### CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION AND SOLICITATION LIMITATIONS

No state contractor, prospective state contractor, principal of a state contractor or principal of a prospective state contractor, with regard to a state contract or state contract solicitation with or from a state agency in the executive branch or a quasi-public agency or a holder, or principal of a holder of a valid prequalification certificate, shall make a contribution to (i) an exploratory committee or candidate committee established by a candidate for nomination or election to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State Treasurer, (ii) a political committee authorized to make contributions or expenditures to or for the benefit of such candidates, or (iii) a party committee (which includes town committees).

In addition, no holder or principal of a holder of a valid prequalification certificate, shall make a contribution to (1 a perforatory committee or candidate committee established by a candidate for nomination or election to the office of state senator or State representative, (ii) a political committee authorized to make contributions or expenditures to or for the benefit of such candidates, or (iii) a party committee.

On and after January 1, 2011, no state contractor, prospective state contractor, principal of a state contractor or principal of a prospective state contractor, with regard to a state contract or state contract solicitation with or from a state agency in the executive branch or a quasi-public agency or a holder, or principal of a holder of a valid prequalification certificate, shall knowingly solicit contributions from the state contractor's or prospective state contractor's employees or from a subcontractor or principals of the subcontractor on behalf of (i) an exploratory committee or candidate committee established by a candidate for nomination or election to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, secretary of the State or State Treasurer, (ii) a political committee authorized to make contributions or expenditures to or for the central of such candidates, or (iii) a party committee.

#### **DUTY TO INFORM**

State contractors and prospective state contractors are required to inform their principals of the above prohibitions, as applicable, and the possible penalties and other consequences of any violation thereof.

#### PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS

Contributions or solicitations of contributions made in violation of the above prohibitions may result in the following civil and criminal penalties:

<u>Civil penalties</u>—Up to \$2,000 or twice the amount of the prohibited contribution, whichever is greater, against a principal or a contractor. Any state contractor or prospective state contractor which fails to make reasonable efforts to comply with the provisions requiring notice to its principals of these prohibitions and the possible consequences of their violations may also be subject to civil penalties of up to \$2,000 or twice the amount of the prohibited contributions made by their principals.

<u>Criminal penalties</u>—Any knowing and willful violation of the prohibition is a Class D felony, which may subject the violator to imprisonment of not more than 5 years, or not more than \$5,000 in fines, or both.

#### CONTRACT CONSEQUENCES

In the case of a state contractor, contributions made or solicited in violation of the above prohibitions may resulting the contract being voided.

In the case of a prospective state contractor, contributions made or solicited in violation of the above prohibitions shall result in the contract described in the state contract solicitation not being awarded to the prospective state contractor, unless the State Elections Enforcement Commission determines that mitigating circumstances exist concerning such violation.

The State shall not award any other state contract to anyone found in violation of the above prohibitions for a period of one year after the election for which such contribution is made or solicited, unless the State Elections Enforcement Commission determines that mitigating circumstances exist concerning such violation.

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#### DEFINITIONS

"State contractor" means a person, business entity or nonprofit organization that enters into a state contract. Such person, business entity or nonprofit organization shall be deemed to be a state contractor until December thirty-first of the year in which such contract terminates. "State contractor" does not include a municipality or any other political subdivision of the state, including any entities or associations duly created by the municipality or political subdivision exclusively amongst themselves to further any purpose authorized by statute or charter, or an employee in the executive or legislative branch of state government or a quasi-public agency, whether in the classified or unclassified service and full or part-time, and only in such person's capacity as a state or quasi-public agency employee.

"Prospective state contractor" means a person, business entity or nonprofit organization that (i) submits a response to a state contract solicitation by the state, a state agency or a quasi-public agency, or a proposal in response to a request for proposals by the state, a state agency or a quasi-public agency, until the contract has been entered into, or (ii) holds a valid prequalification certificate issued by the Commissioner of Administrative Services under section 4a-100. "Prospective state contractor" does not include a municipality or any other political subdivision of the state, including any entities or associations duly created by the municipality or political subdivision exclusively amongst themselves to further any purpose authorized by statute or charter, or an employee in the executive or legislative branch of state government or a quasi-public agency, whether in the classified or unclassified service and full or part-time, and only in such person's capacity as a state or quasi-public agency employee.

"Principal of a state contractor or prospective state contractor" means (i) any individual who is a member of the board of directors of, or has an ownership interest of five per cent or more in, a state contractor or prospective state contractor, which is a business entity, except for an individual who is a member of the board of directors of a nonprofit organization, (ii) an individual who is employed by a state contractor or prospective state contractor, which is a jusiness entity, as president, treasurer or executive vice president, (iii) an individual who is the chief executive officer of a state contractor or prospective state contractor, which is not a business entity, or if a state contractor or prospective state contractor has no such officer, then the officer who tall prospects comparable powers and duties, (iv) an officer or an employee of any state contractor or prospective state contractor who has managenian in discretionary responsibilities with respect to a state contract, (v) the spouse or a dependent child who is eighteen years of age or older of an individual described in this subparagraph, or (vi) a political committee established or controlled by an individual described in this subparagraph, or the busiless entity or nonprofit organization that is the state contractor or prospective state contractor.

"State contract" means an agreement or contract with the state or any state agency or any quasi-sub contract, let through a procurement process or otherwise, having a value of fifty thousand dollars or more, or a combination or series of such agreements or contracts having a value of one hundred thousand dollars or more in a calendar year, for (i) the rendition of services, (ii) the fundation of any goods, material, supplies, equipment or any items of any kind, (iii) the construction, alteration or repair of any public building or public work, (iv) the acquisition, sale or lease of any land or building, (v) a licensing arrangement, or (vi) a grant, loan or loan guarantee. "State toutract" loes not include any agreement or contract with the state, any state agency or any quasi-public agency that is exclusively federally funded, on education foan, a loan to an individual for other than commercial purposes or any agreement or contract between the state or any state agency and the United States Department of the Navy or the United States Department of Defense.

"State contract solicitation" means a request by a state agency or quasi-public agency, in whatever form issued, including, but not limited to, an invitation to bid, request for proposals, request further matter or request for quotes, inviting bids, quotes or other types of submittals, through a competitive procurement process or another process authorized by law waiving competitive procurement.

"Managerial or discretionary responsibilities with respect to a state contract" means having direct, extensive and substantive responsibilities with respect to the negotiation of the state contract and not peripheral, clerical or ministerial responsibilities.

"Dependent child" means a child residing in an individual's household who may legally be claimed as a dependent on the federal income tax of such individual.

"Solicit" means (A) requesting that a contribution be made, (B) participating in any fund-raising activities for a candidate committee, exploratory committee, political committee or party committee, including, but not limited to, forwarding tickets to potential contributors, receiving contributions for transmission to any such committee or bundling contributions, (C) serving as chairperson, treasurer or deputy treasurer of any such committee, or (D) establishing a political committee for the sole purpose of soliciting or receiving contributions for any committee. Solicit does not include: (i) making a contribution that is otherwise permitted by Chapter 155 of the Connecticut General Statutes; (ii) informing any person of a position taken by a candidate for public office or a public official, (iii) notifying the person of any activities of, or contact information for, any candidate for public office; or (iv) serving as a member in any party committee or as an officer of such committee that is not otherwise prohibited in this section.

"Subcontractor" means any person, business entity or nonprofit organization that contracts to perform part or all of the obligations of a state contractor's state contract. Such person, business entity or nonprofit organization shall be deemed to be a subcontractor until December thirty first of the year in which the subcontract terminates. "Subcontractor" does not include (i) a municipality or any other political subdivision of the state, including any entities or associations duly created by the municipality or political subdivision exclusively amongst themselves to further any purpose authorized by statute or charter, or (ii) an employee in the executive or legislative branch of state government or a quasi-public agency, whether in the classified or unclassified service and full or part-time, and only in such person's capacity as a state or quasi-public agency employee.

"Principal of a subcontractor" means (i) any individual who is a member of the board of directors of, or has an ownership interest of five per cent or more in, a subcontractor, which is a business entity, except for an individual who is a member of the board of directors of a nonprofit organization, (ii) an individual who is employed by a subcontractor, which is a business entity, as president, treasurer or executive vice president, (iii) an individual who is the chief executive officer of a subcontractor, which is not a business entity, or if a subcontractor has no such officer, then the officer who duly possesses comparable powers and duties, (iv) an officer or an employee of any subcontractor who has managerial or discretionary responsibilities with respect to a subcontract with a state contractor, (v) the spouse or a dependent child who is eighteen years of age or older of an individual described in this subparagraph, or (vi) a political committee established or controlled by an individual described in this subparagraph or the business entity or nonprofit organization that is the subcontractor.

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Click on the link to "Lobbyist/Contractor Limitations"

#### CONNECTICUT HOUSING FINANCE AUTHORITY ETHICS STATEMENT

The Connecticut Housing Finance Authority ("CHFA") was created in 1969 by the State legislature as a quasi-public agency of the State of Connecticut. Its purpose is to help alleviate the shortage of affordable housing for low and moderate-income families and persons in Connecticut, and when appropriate, to promote or maintain the economic development of the State through employer-assisted housing efforts.

CHFA administers a multi-billion dollar portfolio of housing related financing in the State resulting primarily from its loan programs for both single and multifamily housing. These programs are financed by the proceeds of tax exempt and taxable bonds issued by CHFA together with State funds it administers and its own funds. CHFA has significant interaction with the State and private financial markets and has relationships with both nonprofit and for profit developers of housing. It is important that the CHFA Board of Directors and its employees and persons doing business or seeking to do business with CHFA understand and comply at all times with CHFA's ethical standards in the performance of their duties and conduct of their business.

It is the policy of the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority that its employees and members of its Board of Directors will comply with all laws and regulations pertaining to the conduct of CHFA's business and administration of its programs and that they will do so with the highest standards of ethical behavior. Those with whom CHFA does business are expected to similarly comply with applicable laws and regulations and standards. Any breach or deviation from applicable laws and regulations or standards will result in appropriate disciplinary action including but not limited to termination of employment and sanctions as required by CHFA and state law.

The CHFA Board of Directors and all CHFA employees are subject to the Code of Ethics for Public Officials, Connecticut General Statutes Chapter 10, Part 1, §§1-79 through 1-89 as amended ("Code of Ethics") in the discharge of their duties, including, but not limited to, the following provisions:

- Gifts In general, acceptance of gifts from anyone doing business with or seeking to do business with CHFA or from persons known to be a registered lobbyist or lobbyist's representative is prohibited
- Financial Benefit use of office for financial benefit of the individual, certain family members or associated businesses is prohibited
- Outside Employment outside employment which may impair independence of judgment or induce disclosure of confidential information is prohibited (Note: Connecticut General Statutes § 8-244(b) provides notwithstanding the provisions of any other law to the contrary, it shall not constitute a conflict of interest for a trustee, director, partner or officer of any person, firm or corporation, or any individual having a stancial interest in a person, firm or corporation, to serve as a member of the authority, provided such trustee, director, partner, officer or individual shall abstain from deliberation, action or vote by the authority in specific respect to such person, firm or corporation.)
- Financial Disclosure filing of financial disclosure statements with the State Ethics Commission is required by contain entologies and the Board of Directors
- Post -State Employment accepting employment with parties to contracts or regulated parties upon leaving VIFA is restricted (Note: Connecticut
  General Statutes § 1-84b(c) provides exceptions for members or former members of the bourts or commissions who serve ex officio, who are
  required by statute to represent the regulated industry or who are permitted by statute in have a past or present affiliation with the regulated
  industry.)

Members of the Board of Directors and all CHFA employees are provided story of the Code of Ethics. Additionally, CHFA employees are subject to the provisions of the CHFA employee handbook as amended ("Employee Handbook") including, but not limited to:

- Provisions limiting conflicts of interest and liquid of fling of a statement with the President-Executive Director regarding any outside employment (§107)
- Requiring gifts with a value of \$10 or between or directed to CHFA (§107)
- Prohibiting acceptance of no ls of entertainment from those in a position to benefit from CHFA decisions, contracts or financing (§107)
- Limitations on busing employment including prohibiting conducting outside business or employment during working hours or using CHFA facilities of esources to conduct any business other than CHFA official business (§108)
- Required compliance with the Code of Ethics (§701)

Copies of this Ethics Statement, the Code of Ethics and Employee Handbook are provided to employees and to each new employee prior to the commencement of employment with CHFA. Employees are required to sign a statement acknowledging receipt of the Code of Ethics and Employee Handbook and agreeing to comply with their requirements.

Employees who leave CHFA are required to comply with the Code of Ethics provisions regarding post-employment and are reminded of these during an exit interview with CHFA's Human Resources staff.

Breaches of any of the provisions of the Code of Ethics or Employee Handbook or other governing laws or regulations will result in disciplinary action up to and including dismissal, in addition to sanctions provided by state law.

CHFA has designated as its Ethics Liaison its General Counsel. The Ethics Liaison is an available resource to CHFA employees regarding statutory and regulatory compliance and questions regarding ethical standards; however, questions concerning the applicability or enforcement of the Code of Ethics are to be directed to the State of Connecticut Ethics Commission.

Persons doing business with or seeking to do business with CHFA will be provided with a copy of this Ethics Statement and are required to comply with the applicable provisions of the Code of Ethics and the Code of Ethics for Lobbyists, Connecticut General Statutes §§1-91 through 1-101 and other governing laws and regulations including, but not limited to:

- Restrictions on gift giving (§1-84(f),(m))
- Employment(§1-84(g),1-84b(c)(3)
- Reporting(§1-84(o)

and are required to comply with requirements of Connecticut General Statutes §3-13] and §3-131 regarding disclosure of third party fees and finders fees and §\$4-250 through 4-252 regarding affidavits and certifications for large state contracts.



#### Public Act No. 14-227

AN ACT CONCERNING CERTAIN RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE AUDITORS OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS, AN EXPANSION OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSISTANCE ACT, CERTIFICATION OF MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISES AND AN ALLOCATION THE LEGACY FOUNDATION OF HARTFORD.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. Section 4-611 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

corruption, unethical practices, violation of state laws or regulations, mismanagement, gross waste of funds, abuse of authority or danger to the public safety occurring in any state department or agency or any quasi-public agency, as defined in section 1-120, or any person having knowledge of any matter involving corruption, violation of state or federal laws or regulations, gross waste of funds, abuse of authority or danger to the public safety occurring in any large state contract, may transmit all facts and information in such person's possession concerning such matter to the Auditors of Public Accounts. The Auditors of Public Accounts shall review such matter and report their findings and any recommendations to the Attorney General. Upon receiving such a report, the Attorney General shall make such investigation as the Attorney General deems proper regarding such

report and any other information that may be reasonably derived from such report. Prior to conducting an investigation of any information that may be reasonably derived from such report, the Attorney General shall consult with the Auditors of Public Accounts concerning the relationship of such additional information to the report that has been issued pursuant to this subsection. Any such subsequent investigation deemed appropriate by the Attorney General shall only be conducted with the concurrence and assistance of the Auditors of Public Accounts. At the request of the Attorney General or on their own initiative, the auditors shall assist in the investigation.

- (b) (1) The Auditors of Public Accounts may reject any complaint received pursuant to subsection (a) of this section if the Auditors of Public Accounts determine one or more of the following:
- (A) There are other available remedies that the complainant can reasonably be expected to pursue;
- (B) The complaint is better suited for investigation or enforcement by another state agency;

The complaint is trivial, frivolous, vexatious or not made in good faith;

- (D) Other complaints have greater priority in terms of serving the public good;
- (E) The complaint is not timely or is too long delayed to justify further investigation; or
- (F) The complaint could be handled more appropriately as part of an ongoing or scheduled regular audit.
- (2) If the Auditors of Public Accounts reject a complaint pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection, the Auditors of Public Accounts

shall provide a report to the Attorney General setting out the basis for the rejection.

- (3) If at any time the Auditors of Public Accounts determine that a complaint is more appropriately investigated by another state agency, the Auditors of Public Accounts shall refer the complaint to such agency. The investigating agency shall provide a status report regarding the referred complaint to the Auditors of Public Accounts upon request.
- (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 12-15, the Commissioner of Revenue Services may, upon written request by the Auditors of Public Accounts, disclose return or return information, as defined in section 12-15, to the Auditors of Public Accounts for purposes of preparing a report under subsection (a) of (b) of this section. Such return or return information shall not be published in any report prepared in accordance with subsection (a) or (b) of this section, and shall not otherwise be redisclosed, except that such information may be enserted to the Attorney General for purposes of an investigation authorized by subsection (a) of this section. Any period with violates the provisions of this subsection shall be subject to the provisions of subsection (g) of section 12-15.
- [(c)] (d) The Attorney General may summon witnesses, require the production of any necessary books, papers or other documents and administer oaths to witnesses, where necessary, for the purpose of an investigation pursuant to this section or for the purpose of investigating a suspected violation of subsection (a) of section 17b-301b until such time as the Attorney General files a civil action pursuant to section 17b-301c. Upon the conclusion of the investigation, the Attorney General shall where necessary, report any findings to the Governor, or in matters involving criminal activity, to the Chief State's Attorney. In addition to the exempt records provision of section 1-210, the Auditors of Public Accounts and the Attorney General shall not,

after receipt of any information from a person under the provisions of this section or sections 17b-301c to 17b-301g, inclusive, disclose the identity of such person without such person's consent unless the Auditors of Public Accounts or the Attorney General determines that such disclosure is unavoidable, and may withhold records of such investigation, during the pendency of the investigation.

[(d)] (e) (1) No state officer or employee, as defined in section 4-141, no quasi-public agency officer or employee, no officer or employee of a large state contractor and no appointing authority shall take or threaten to take any personnel action against any state or quasi-public agency employee or any employee of a large state contractor in retaliation for (A) such employee's or contractor's disclosure of information to (i) an employee of the Auditors of Public Andonts or the Attorney General under the provisions of Salesction (a) of this section; (ii) an employee of the state agency or quasi-public agency where such state officer or employee's employed; (iii) an employee of a state agency pursuant to a mandated reporter statute or pursuant to subsection (b) of section 17a-28; or (iv) in the case of a large state contractor in employee of the contracting state agency concerning information involving the large state contract; or (B) such employee's testimony or assistance in any proceeding under this section.

(2) (A) Not later than ninety days after learning of the specific incident giving rise to a claim that a personnel action has been threatened or has occurred in violation of subdivision (1) of this subsection, a state or quasi-public agency employee, an employee of a large state contractor or the employee's attorney may file a complaint against the state agency, quasi-public agency, large state contractor or appointing authority concerning such personnel action with the Chief Human Rights Referee designated under section 46a-57. Such complaint may be amended if an additional incident giving rise to a claim under this subdivision occurs subsequent to the filing of the

original complaint. The Chief Human Rights Referee shall assign the complaint to a human rights referee appointed under section 46a-57, who shall conduct a hearing and issue a decision concerning whether the officer or employee taking or threatening to take the personnel action violated any provision of this section. The human rights referee may order a state agency or quasi-public agency to produce (i) an employee of such agency or quasi-public agency to testify as a witness in any proceeding under this subdivision, or (ii) books, papers or other documents relevant to the complaint, without issuing a subpoena. If such agency or quasi-public agency fails to produce such witness, books, papers or documents, not later than thirty days after such order, the human rights referee may consider such failure as supporting evidence for the complainant. If, after the hearing, the human right referee finds a violation, the referee may award the aggrieved employee reinstatement to the employee's former position, back pay and reestablishment of any employee herefits for which the employee would otherwise have been eligible it such violation had not occurred, reasonable attorneys ines and any other damages. For the purposes of this subsection such human rights referee shall act as an independent hearing officer. The decision of a human rights referee under this ulsection may be appealed by any person who was a party at such hearing, in accordance with the provisions of section 4-183.

- (B) The Chief Human Rights Referee shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, establishing the procedure for filing complaints and noticing and conducting hearings under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision.
- (3) As an alternative to the provisions of subdivision (2) of this subsection: (A) A state or quasi-public agency employee who alleges that a personnel action has been threatened or taken may file an appeal not later than ninety days after learning of the specific incident giving rise to such claim with the Employees' Review Board under section 5-

202, or, in the case of a state or quasi-public agency employee covered by a collective bargaining contract, in accordance with the procedure provided by such contract; or (B) an employee of a large state contractor alleging that such action has been threatened or taken may, after exhausting all available administrative remedies, bring a civil action in accordance with the provisions of subsection (c) of section 31-51m.

(4) In any proceeding under subdivision (2) or (3) of this subsection concerning a personnel action taken or threatened against any state or quasi-public agency employee or any employee of a large state contractor, which personnel action occurs not later than two years after the employee first transmits facts and information concerning a matter under subsection (a) of this section or discloses information under subdivision (1) of this subsection to the Auditor. Which Accounts, the Attorney General or an employee of that agency or quasi-public agency, as applicable, there shall be a rebuttable presumption that the personnel action is in retaliation for the action taken by the employee under subsection (a) of this section or subdivision (1) of this subsection.

O5) If a state officer or employee, as defined in section 4-141, a quasi-public agency officer or employee, an officer or employee of a large state contractor or an appointing authority takes or threatens to take any action to impede, fail to renew or cancel a contract between a state agency and a large state contractor, or between a large state contractor and its subcontractor, in retaliation for the disclosure of information pursuant to subsection (a) of this section or subdivision (1) of this subsection, such affected agency, contractor or subcontractor may, not later than ninety days after learning of such action, threat or failure to renew, bring a civil action in the superior court for the judicial district of Hartford to recover damages, attorney's fees and costs.

[(e)] (f) Any employee of a state or quasi-public agency or large state contractor, who is found by the Auditors of Public Accounts, the Attorney General, a human rights referee or the Employees' Review Board to have knowingly and maliciously made false charges under subsection (a) of this section, shall be subject to disciplinary action by such employee's appointing authority up to and including dismissal. In the case of a state or quasi-public agency employee, such action shall be subject to appeal to the Employees' Review Board in accordance with section 5-202, or in the case of state or quasi-public agency employees included in collective bargaining contracts, the procedure provided by such contracts.

[(f)] (g) On or before September first, annually, the Auditors of Public Accounts shall submit, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, to the clerk of each house of the Leneral Assembly a report indicating the number of matters for which facts and information were transmitted to the publicors pursuant to this section during the preceding state biscal year and the disposition of each such matter.

A Each contract between a state or quasi-public agency and a large state contractor shall provide that, if an officer, employee or appointing authority of a large state contractor takes or threatens to take any personnel action against any employee of the contractor in retaliation for such employee's disclosure of information to any employee of the contracting state or quasi-public agency or the Auditors of Public Accounts or the Attorney General under the provisions of subsection (a) or subdivision (1) of subsection (d) of this section, the contractor shall be liable for a civil penalty of not more than five thousand dollars for each offense, up to a maximum of twenty per cent of the value of the contract. Each violation shall be a separate and distinct offense and in the case of a continuing violation each calendar day's continuance of the violation shall be deemed to be

a separate and distinct offense. The executive head of the state or quasi-public agency may request the Attorney General to bring a civil action in the superior court for the judicial district of Hartford to seek imposition and recovery of such civil penalty.

- [(h)] (i) Each state agency or quasi-public agency shall post a notice of the provisions of this section relating to state employees and quasi-public agency employees in a conspicuous place that is readily available for viewing by employees of such agency or quasi-public agency. Each large state contractor shall post a notice of the provisions of this section relating to large state contractors in a conspicuous place which is readily available for viewing by the employees of the contractor.
- [(i)] (j) No person who, in good faith, discloser information in accordance with the provisions of this section shall be liable for any civil damages resulting from such good faith disclosure.
  - [(j)] (k) As used in this lection:
- (1) "Large state contract" means a contract between an entity and a state or quasi-public agency, having a value of five million dollars or more; and
  - (2) "Large state contractor" means an entity that has entered into a large state contract with a state or quasi-public agency.

### **Instructions: CHFA Insurance Requirements**

All contractors and vendors are required to provide proof of the required insurance coverage before entering the premises or commencing any work at any CHFA facility. Contractors and vendors must obtain, at their own expense, all the insurance required here, and acceptable evidence of such insurance must be properly furnished to, and approved by, CHFA.

All subcontractors are subject to the same requirements. It the responsibility of the primary contractor or vendor to obtain acceptable evidence of insurance from subcontractors.

CHFA also requires that they be named as an additional insured on your general liability policy(ies). Your general liability policy must be endorsed with ISO Endorsement CG 20 10 (or equivalent) or ISO Endorsement CG 20 26 (or equivalent), and ISO Endorsement CG 20 37 (or equivalent) if so required. These form numbers must be specifically referenced on the certificate of insurance. If your insurance company uses a different form to provide CHFA with additional insured status on your policies, copies of those forms must be provided in advance with the insurance certificate for review and approval by CHFA. All coverage must be primary as to CHFA.

The proper name for the entity to be named as additional insured is: "Connecticut Housing Finance Authority, and/or related or affiliated entities."

Evidence of compliance with these requirements is with the ACCORD form 25, "Certificate of Liability Insurance", with 30 day notice of cancellation, plus copies of any required additional insured endorsements. Certificates should be sent to: Connecticut Housing Finance Authority, Attention: Legal Dept., 999 West St., Rocky Hill, CT 06067. Tel.: (860) 721-9501, Fax: (860) 721-0527.

Current insurance certificates must be furnished to CHFA at all times. Replacement certificates must be furnished *prior to the expiration or replacement* of referenced policies.

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Required	Type of	Standard Deguinement
(if checked)	Insurance	Standard Requirement
	Commercial General	\$1,000,000 per occurrence/ \$2,000,000 aggregate bodily injury/property damage.
	Liability	<ul> <li>The CGL policy must include coverage for:</li> <li>liability from premises and operations.</li> <li>liability from products or completed operations.</li> <li>liability from actions of independent contractors.</li> <li>liability assumed by contract.</li> </ul>
		All coverage provided to CHFA under this section must be primary.
		CHFA must be named as "additional insured" on your CGL policy with ISO form CG 20 10 or CG 20 26 or equivalent
	Contractors or service vendors:	CHFA must <i>also</i> be named as "additional insured" on your CGL policy with form CG 20 37 or equivalent
		The Aggregate limit must apply per job/project.
		Products/completed operations must be carried for 2 years after completion of job/acceptance by owner.
	Automobile Liability	\$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury/property damage, including hired & non-owned vehicles
	Workers' Compensation	Statutory
	Employers Liability	\$1,000,000 each accident
2	Umbrella Liability	\$1,000,000 Excess over underlying limits described above.
) \	Professional Liability	\$1,000,000 per occurrence/ \$1,000,000 aggregate

**Insurance Requirements** 

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### **Connecticut Housing Finance Authority**

## **Insurance Requirements for Contractors or Vendors**

Contractors or vendors working for and/or doing business with the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority (CHFA), or using CHFA facilities, shall agree as a condition of acceptance to furnish and perpetually maintain, at their own expense, for the duration of any project, work, contract or use of CHFA facilities the following policies of insurance covering the following items. Insurance must be primary and endorsed to be noncontributory by CHFA, must be written in an insurance company A.M. Best rated as "A-VII" or better, and CHFA must be endorsed to the policy as an additional insured (except Worker's Compensation) unless this requirement is specifically waived in writing by CHFA. Contractors further agree that any subcontractor they intend to use on CHFA assigned work will be required to submit to the same indemnity and insurance requirements contained in this schedule. Contractor shall obtain insurance certificates stating that both Contractor and CHFA shall be endorsed to the subcontractor's insurance policies as additional insured.

#### **Indemnification**

The contractor/vendor shall save harmless, indemnify, and in the event of claim, notification or suit will immediately defend CHFA and any related or subsidiary entities, their officers, employees and volunteers, from and against all loss, costs, damage, expense, claims or demands arising out of or caused or alleged to have been caused in any manner by the performance of work or use of facilities herein provided, including all suits, claims or actions of every kind or description brought against the CHFA either individually or jointly with the entity or organization for or on the account of any damage or injury to any person or persons or property, including the entity or organization's employees or their property, caused or occasioned, or alleged to have been caused or occasioned in whole or in part by the entity or organization, including any subcontractor, their employees or agents.

#### **Certificates of Insurance**

Before starting any work, or commencing any use or occupancy of CHFA premises, the contractor or vendor shall furnish to CHFA a certificate of insurance indicating, specifically, the existence of those coverages and limits set forth as follows. CHFA must be named on the insurance certificate as "additional insured" for the coverage's afforded, and a copy of the actual policy endorsement that adds CHFA as an additional insured must be attached to the certificate (Blanket additional insured endorsements are deemed acceptable). It is also the duty of contractor or vendor to provide renewal or replacement certificates and endorsements to CHFA upon renewal or new placement of any insurance policy which may expire or renew during the term of any project or engagement, and to give CHFA thirty (30) days notice of any cancellation or change in the terms of such policy or policies during the periods of coverage. Upon request of CHFA, the contractor or vendor shall furnish to CHFA for its examination and approval such policies of insurance with all endorsements, or copies thereof, certified by the agent of the insurance company.

The contractor or vendor agrees to forward a signed original of this Insurance Requirement signed by an authorized Officer or Agent for the contractor or vendor, to the care of: Connecticut Housing Finance Authority, **Theresa Caldarone**, Assistant Coupsel, 999 West St., Rocky Hill, CT 06067. Tel.: (860) 571-4389, Fax: (860) 721-0527, Email: <a href="mailto:Theresa:Coldarone@CHFA.org">Theresa:Coldarone@CHFA.org</a>, as an acknowledgement and acceptance to the terms and conditions stated herein and prior to the commencement of any work being performed.

Signed by (contractor or vendor)	(type/print name of contractor or vendor)
Date	

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