

General Assembly

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Referred to Committee on ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

GOVERNMENT

Introduced by: (GAE)

AN ACT CONCERNING CONTRACTING WITH QUASI-PUBLIC AGENCIES UNDER THE STATE CODE OF ETHICS.

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

- 1 Section 1. Subsection (i) of section 1-84 of the general statutes is
- 2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 3 October 1, 2023):
- 4 (i) (1) No public official or state employee or member of the official
- 5 or employee's immediate family or a business with which he is
- 6 associated shall enter into any contract with the state or a quasi-public
- 7 agency, valued at one hundred dollars or more, other than a contract
- 8 (A) of employment as a state employee, (B) with the Technical
- 9 Education and Career System for students enrolled in a school in the
- 10 system to perform services in conjunction with vocational, technical,
- 11 technological or postsecondary education and training any such
- 12 student is receiving at a school in the system, subject to the review
- 13 process under subdivision (2) of this subsection, (C) with a public
- 14 institution of higher education to support a collaboration with such
- 15 institution to develop and commercialize any invention or discovery,

or (D) pursuant to a court appointment, unless the contract has been awarded through an open and public process, including prior public offer and subsequent public disclosure of all proposals considered and the contract awarded. In no event shall an executive head of an agency, as defined in section 4-166, including a commissioner of a department, or an executive head of a quasi-public agency, as defined in section 1-79, or the executive head's immediate family or a business with which he is associated enter into any contract with that agency or quasipublic agency. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed as applying to any public official who is appointed as a member of the executive branch or as a member or director of a quasi-public agency and who receives no compensation other than per diem payments or reimbursement for actual or necessary expenses, or both, incurred in the performance of the public official's duties unless such public official has authority or control over the subject matter of the contract. Any contract made in violation of this subsection shall be voidable by a court of competent jurisdiction if the suit is commenced not later than one hundred eighty days after the making of the contract.

(2) The superintendent of the Technical Education and Career System shall establish an open and transparent process to review any contract entered into under subparagraph (B) of subdivision (1) of this subsection.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2023	1-84(i)

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