



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 93

January Session, 2003

AN ACT EXTENDING THE PERIOD TO VOID CERTAIN CONTRACTS MADE IN VIOLATION OF THE STATE ETHICS CODE FOR PUBLIC OFFICIALS, EXTENDING THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS UNDER THE STATE ETHICS CODES, AND AUTHORIZING THE STATE ETHICS COMMISSION TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENTS.

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2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*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, 2003*):

4 (i) No public official or state employee or member of [his] the
5 official or employee's immediate family or a business with which [he]
6 the official or employee is associated shall enter into any contract with
7 the state, valued at one hundred dollars or more, other than a contract
8 of employment as a state employee or pursuant to a court
9 appointment, unless the contract has been awarded through an open
10 and public process, including prior public offer and subsequent public
11 disclosure of all proposals considered and the contract awarded. In no
12 event shall an executive head of an agency, as defined in section 4-166,
13 including a commissioner of a department, or an executive head of a
14 quasi-public agency, as defined in section 1-79, or [his] the executive
15 head's immediate family or a business with which [he] the executive
16 head is associated enter into any contract with that agency or quasi-
17 public agency. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed as

18 applying to any public official who is appointed as a member of the
19 executive branch or as a member or director of a quasi-public agency
20 and who receives no compensation other than per diem payments or
21 reimbursement for actual or necessary expenses, or both, incurred in
22 the performance of [his] the public official's duties unless such public
23 official has authority or control over the subject matter of the contract.
24 Any contract made in violation of this subsection shall be voidable by
25 a court of competent jurisdiction if the suit is commenced within
26 [ninety] one hundred eighty days of the making of the contract.

27 Sec. 2. Subdivision (d) of section 1-82 of the general statutes is
28 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
29 *October 1, 2003, and applicable to violations occurring on or after October 1,*
30 *2003*):

31 (d) No complaint may be made under this section except within
32 [three] five years next after the violation alleged in the complaint has
33 been committed.

34 Sec. 3. Subsection (d) of section 1-93 of the general statutes is
35 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
36 *October 1, 2003, and applicable to violations occurring on or after October 1,*
37 *2003*):

38 (d) No complaint may be made under this section except within
39 [three] five years next after the violation alleged in the complaint has
40 been committed.

41 Sec. 4. Subsection (a) of section 1-96a of the general statutes is
42 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
43 *October 1, 2003*):

44 (a) Each registrant shall obtain and preserve all accounts, bills,
45 receipts and other documents necessary to substantiate the financial
46 reports required by section 1-96 for a period of [three] five years from
47 the date of the filing of the report referring to such financial matters,
48 provided this section shall apply to each expenditure for the benefit of

49 a public official of ten dollars or more and all other expenditures of
50 fifty dollars or more.

51 Sec. 5. Section 1-81 of the general statutes is amended by adding
52 subsection (c) as follows (*Effective October 1, 2003*):

53 (NEW) (c) The commission may enter into contractual agreements,
54 as may be necessary for the discharge of its duties, within the limits of
55 its appropriated funds and in accordance with established procedures.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2003</i>
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2003, and applicable to violations occurring on or after October 1, 2003</i>
Sec. 3	<i>October 1, 2003, and applicable to violations occurring on or after October 1, 2003</i>
Sec. 4	<i>October 1, 2003</i>
Sec. 5	<i>October 1, 2003</i>

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