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Referred to Committee on Planning and Development

Introduced by:
(PD)

AN ACT CONCERNING PURCHASES OF LAND BY THE STATE.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2007*) (a) No state agency,
2 department or institution shall enter into a contract to purchase real
3 property unless the regional planning organization operating in the
4 planning region, designated by the Secretary of the Office of Policy
5 and Management under section 16a-4a of the general statutes, in which
6 such property is located has approved of such purchase in accordance
7 with this section.

8 (b) Each state agency, commission or department intending to
9 purchase real property shall give written notice of such intent to the
10 following: (1) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management,
11 (2) the chief executive officer of the municipality in which such
12 property is located, and (3) the regional planning organization
13 operating in the planning region, designated by the Secretary of the
14 Office of Policy and Management under section 16a-4a of the general
15 statutes, in which such property is located.

16 (c) Not more than fifteen days after receipt of the notice under

17 subsection (b) of this section, the regional planning organization may
18 conduct a public hearing on the proposed purchase of real property.
19 Notice of the time, place and subject of the hearing shall be given in
20 writing to the chief executive officer and the planning commission,
21 where one exists, of each member municipality and be published once
22 in a newspaper having a substantial circulation in the region. Not more
23 than fifteen days after the conclusion of the hearing, the regional
24 planning organization may approve or disapprove the purchase of real
25 property by the state agency, commission or department. A copy of the
26 decision shall be sent to (1) the head of the state agency, department or
27 institution that proposed the purchase, (2) the Secretary of the Office of
28 Policy and Management, and (3) the chief executive officer of the
29 municipality in which such property is located. If the regional
30 planning organization fails to render a decision within the time period
31 provided under this section for such a decision, the proposed purchase
32 shall be deemed approved. A copy of the decision shall be sent to (A)
33 the head of the state agency, department or institution that proposed
34 the purchase, (B) the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management,
35 and (C) the chief executive officer of the municipality in which such
36 property is located.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2007</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To require the state to notify the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, municipalities and regional planning organizations of the intent to purchase real property and to require approval by the regional planning organization prior to purchase.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]