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Referred to Committee on Government Administration and Elections

Introduced by:  
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***AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY.***

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

1 Section 1. Section 4a-66 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 (a) The state, through the Commissioner of Administrative Services,  
4 or any political subdivision thereof, through the officer or agent legally  
5 authorized to make purchases on its behalf, may enter into any  
6 contract with the United States government or any federal agency for  
7 the purchase, lease or other acquisition of any equipment, supplies,  
8 materials or other property or for the purchase, sale or exchange of, or  
9 other cooperation concerning, services related to medicine or health.  
10 No provision of the statutes or of any municipal charter concerning the  
11 inviting of competitive bids, public advertising for bids or of  
12 expenditures, the delivery of purchases before payment, or any other  
13 provision which may result in disadvantage or loss of opportunity to  
14 such state agency or subdivision in such transactions with the federal  
15 government, shall apply to transactions made under the provisions of

16 this subsection. Any municipality desiring to enter into any such  
17 contract may do so only after the acceptance of the applicable  
18 provisions of this section at a meeting of such municipality warned  
19 and held for the purpose.

20 (b) The state, through the Commissioner of Administrative Services  
21 and pursuant to Public Law 103-355, may purchase equipment,  
22 supplies, materials, information technology services or other property  
23 or services from a person who has a contract to sell such property to a  
24 department, agency or instrumentality of the United States  
25 government, in accordance with the terms and conditions of said  
26 contract.

27 Sec. 2. Subsection (c) of section 3-117 of the 2008 supplement to the  
28 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
29 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

30 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (a) and (b) of this  
31 section, the [Commissioner of Administrative Services] Chief  
32 Information Officer shall charge the appropriations of any state  
33 agency, without certification by such agency, for expenses incurred by  
34 such agency for basic telephone service, toll telephone service and  
35 teletypewriter or computer exchange service. Not later than thirty days  
36 following notification of such charge, such agency shall certify to the  
37 [commissioner] Chief Information Officer that such services were  
38 provided to such agency. As used in this subsection, (1)  
39 "telecommunications service" means and includes: The transmission of  
40 any interactive electromagnetic communications including but not  
41 limited to voice, image, data and any other information, by means of  
42 but not limited to wire, cable, including fiber optical cable, microwave,  
43 radio wave or any combinations of such media, and the resale or  
44 leasing of any such service. "Telecommunications service" includes but  
45 is not limited to basic telephone service, toll telephone service and  
46 teletypewriter or computer exchange service, including but not limited  
47 to, residential and business service, directory assistance, two-way cable

48 television service, cellular mobile telephone or telecommunication  
49 service, specialized mobile radio and pagers and paging service,  
50 including any form of mobile two-way communication.  
51 "Telecommunications service" does not include (A) nonvoice services  
52 in which computer processing applications are used to act on the  
53 information to be transmitted, (B) any services or transactions subject  
54 to the sales and use tax under chapter 219, (C) any one-way radio or  
55 television broadcasting transmission, (D) any telecommunications  
56 service rendered by a company in control of such service when  
57 rendered for private use within its organization or (E) any such service  
58 rendered by a company controlling such service when such company  
59 and the company for which such service is rendered are affiliated  
60 companies as defined in section 33-840 or are eligible to file a  
61 combined tax return for purposes of the state corporation business tax  
62 under chapter 208. (2) "Basic telephone service" means (A) telephone  
63 service allowing a telecommunications transmission station to be  
64 connected to points within a designated local calling area or (B) any  
65 facility or service provided in connection with a service described in  
66 subdivision (1) of this subsection but exclusive of any service which is  
67 a toll telephone service, teletypewriter or computer exchange service.  
68 (3) "Toll telephone service" means and includes the transmission of any  
69 interactive electromagnetic communication to points outside the  
70 designated local calling area in which the transmission originated for  
71 which there is a toll charge which varies in amount with the distance  
72 and elapsed transmission time of each individual communication, or a  
73 telecommunication service which entitles the subscriber or user, upon  
74 the payment of a periodic charge which is determined as a flat amount  
75 or upon the basis of total elapsed transmission time, to the privilege of  
76 an unlimited number of telephonic or interactive electromagnetic  
77 communications to or from all or a substantial portion of the persons  
78 having telephone or radio telephone stations in a specified area which  
79 is outside the basic telephone system area in which the station  
80 provided with this service is located. (4) "Teletypewriter or computer  
81 exchange service" means and includes the access from a teletypewriter,

82 telephone, computer or other data station of which such transmission  
83 facility is a part, and the privilege of intercommunications by such  
84 station with substantially all persons having teletypewriter, telephone,  
85 computer or other data stations constituting a part of the same  
86 teletypewriter or computer exchange system, to which the subscriber  
87 or user is entitled upon payment of a charge or charges, whether such  
88 charge or charges are determined as a flat periodic amount on the basis  
89 of distance and elapsed transmission time or some other method.

90 Sec. 3. Subsection (a) of section 4d-7 of the general statutes is  
91 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
92 *passage*):

93 (a) The Chief Information Officer shall develop, publish and  
94 annually update an information and telecommunication systems  
95 strategic plan which shall have the following goals: (1) To provide a  
96 level of voice and data communications service among all state  
97 agencies that will ensure the effective and efficient completion of their  
98 respective functions; (2) to establish a direction for the collection,  
99 storage, management and use of information by state agencies in an  
100 efficient manner; (3) to develop a comprehensive information policy  
101 for state agencies that clearly articulates (A) the state's commitment to  
102 the sharing of its information resources, (B) the relationship of such  
103 resources to library and other information resources in the state, and  
104 (C) a philosophy of equal access to information; (4) to provide all  
105 necessary telecommunication services between state agencies and the  
106 public; (5) to provide, in the event of an emergency, immediate voice  
107 and data communications and critical application recovery capabilities  
108 which are necessary to support state agency functions; and (6) to  
109 provide necessary access to higher technology for state agencies.

110 Sec. 4. Subsection (a) of section 4d-90 of the general statutes is  
111 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
112 *passage*):

113 (a) There is established a Geospatial Information Systems Council

114 consisting of the following members, or their designees: (1) The  
115 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management; (2) the  
116 Commissioners of Environmental Protection, Economic and  
117 Community Development, Transportation, Public Safety, Public  
118 Health, Public Works, Agriculture, Emergency Management and  
119 Homeland Security and Social Services; (3) the Chief Information  
120 Officer of the Department of Information Technology; (4) the  
121 Chancellor of the Connecticut State University system; (5) the  
122 president of The University of Connecticut; (6) the Executive Director  
123 of the Connecticut Siting Council; (7) one member who is a user of  
124 geospatial information systems appointed by the president pro  
125 tempore of the Senate representing a municipality with a population of  
126 more than sixty thousand; (8) one member who is a user of geospatial  
127 information systems appointed by the minority leader of the Senate  
128 representing a regional planning agency; (9) one member who is a user  
129 of geospatial information systems appointed by the Governor  
130 representing a municipality with a population of less than sixty  
131 thousand but more than thirty thousand; (10) one member who is a  
132 user of geospatial information systems appointed by the speaker of the  
133 House of Representatives representing a municipality with a  
134 population of less than thirty thousand; (11) one member appointed by  
135 the minority leader of the House of Representatives who is a user of  
136 geospatial information systems; (12) the chairperson of the Public  
137 Utility Control Authority; (13) the Adjutant General of the Military  
138 Department; and (14) any other persons the council deems necessary  
139 appointed by the council. The Governor shall select the chairperson  
140 from among the members. The chairperson shall administer the affairs  
141 of the council. Vacancies shall be filled by appointment by the  
142 authority making the appointment. Members shall receive no  
143 compensation for their services on said council, but shall be  
144 reimbursed for necessary expenses incurred in the performance of  
145 their duties. Said council shall hold one meeting each [month] calendar  
146 quarter and such additional meetings as may be prescribed by council  
147 rules. In addition, special meetings may be called by the chairperson or

148 by any three members upon delivery of forty-eight hours written  
149 notice to each member.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	4a-66
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	3-117(c)
Sec. 3	<i>from passage</i>	4d-7(a)
Sec. 4	<i>from passage</i>	4d-90(a)

**Statement of Purpose:**

To enable the state to purchase requisite information technology services through federal contractors, facilitate the Chief Information Officer's performance of certain administrative duties, and amend the frequency of meetings by the Geospatial Information Systems Council.

*[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.]*