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Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION
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Introduced by:
(GAE)

***AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE
AUDITORS OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.***

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (e) of section 2-90 of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
3 *passage*):

4 (e) If the Auditors of Public Accounts discover, or if it should come
5 to their knowledge, that any unauthorized, illegal, irregular or unsafe
6 handling or expenditure of state funds or any breakdown in the
7 safekeeping of any resources of the state has occurred or is
8 contemplated, they shall forthwith present the facts to the Governor,
9 the State Comptroller, the clerk of each house of the General Assembly,
10 the Legislative Program Review and Investigations Committee and the
11 Attorney General, except if the matter to be reported is still under
12 investigation by a state agency, the Auditors of Public Accounts shall
13 delay such report until after such investigation has been completed.
14 Any Auditor of Public Accounts neglecting to make such a report, or

15 any agent of the auditors neglecting to report to the Auditors of Public
16 Accounts any such matter discovered by him or coming to his
17 knowledge shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars or
18 imprisoned not more than six months or both.

19 Sec. 2. Section 4-33a of the general statutes is repealed and the
20 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

21 All boards of trustees of state institutions, state department heads,
22 boards, commissions, other state agencies responsible for state
23 property and funds and quasi-public agencies, as defined in section 1-
24 120, shall promptly notify the Auditors of Public Accounts and the
25 Comptroller of any unauthorized, illegal, irregular or unsafe handling
26 or expenditure of state or quasi-public agency funds or breakdowns in
27 the safekeeping of any other resources of the state or quasi-public
28 agencies or contemplated action to do the same within their
29 knowledge. In the case of such notification to the Auditors of Public
30 Accounts, the auditors may permit aggregate reporting in a manner
31 and at a schedule determined by the auditors.

32 Sec. 3. Section 4-215 of the general statutes is repealed and the
33 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2015*):

34 Each personal service agreement [executed on or after July 1, 1994,
35 and] having a cost of more than twenty thousand dollars but not more
36 than fifty thousand dollars and a term of not more than one year shall
37 be based on competitive negotiation or competitive quotations, unless
38 the state agency purchasing the personal services determines that a
39 sole source purchase is required and applies to the secretary for a
40 waiver from such requirement and the secretary grants the waiver.
41 Not later than March 1, 1994, the secretary shall adopt guidelines for
42 determining the types of services that may qualify for such waivers.
43 The qualifying services shall [include, but not] be limited to [] (1)
44 services for which the cost to the state of a competitive selection
45 procedure would outweigh the benefits of such procedure, as

46 documented by the state agency, (2) proprietary services, (3) services
47 to be provided by a contractor mandated by the general statutes or a
48 public or special act, and (4) emergency services, including services
49 needed for the protection of life or health.

50 Sec. 4. Section 1-101pp of the general statutes is repealed and the
51 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2015*):

52 Any commissioner, deputy commissioner, state agency or quasi-
53 public agency head or deputy, or person in charge of state agency
54 procurement, [and] contracting or human resources who has
55 reasonable cause to believe that a person has violated the provisions of
56 the Code of Ethics for Public Officials set forth in part I of this chapter
57 or any law or regulation concerning ethics in state contracting shall
58 report such belief to the Office of State Ethics, which may further
59 report such information to the Auditor of Public Accounts, the Chief
60 State's Attorney or the Attorney General.

61 Sec. 5. Subdivision (8) of section 4-37f of the general statutes is
62 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
63 *October 1, 2015*):

64 (8) A foundation which has in any of its fiscal years receipts and
65 earnings from investments totaling one hundred thousand dollars per
66 year or more, or a foundation established for the principal purpose of
67 coordinated emergency recovery that operated in response to an
68 eligible incident, as defined in section 4-37r, during the fiscal year or
69 with funds that exceeded one hundred thousand dollars in the
70 aggregate, shall have completed on its behalf for such fiscal year a full
71 audit of the books and accounts of the foundation. A foundation which
72 has receipts and earnings from investments totaling less than one
73 hundred thousand dollars in each fiscal year during any three of its
74 consecutive fiscal years beginning October 1, 1986, shall have
75 completed on its behalf for the third fiscal year in any such three-year
76 period a full audit of the books and accounts of the foundation, unless

77 such foundation was established for the principal purpose of
78 coordinated emergency recovery and had completed on its behalf such
79 an audit for any year in any such three-year period. For each fiscal year
80 in which an audit is not required pursuant to this subdivision financial
81 statements shall be provided by the foundation to the executive
82 authority of the state agency. Each audit under this subdivision shall
83 be (A) conducted [(A)] by an independent certified public accountant
84 or, if requested by the state agency with the consent of the foundation,
85 the Auditors of Public Accounts, [and] (B) conducted in accordance
86 with generally accepted auditing standards, and (C) completed and a
87 copy of such audit submitted in accordance with this section not later
88 than six months after the end of the applicable fiscal year. The audit
89 report shall include financial statements, a management letter and an
90 audit opinion which address the conformance of the operating
91 procedures of the foundation with the provisions of sections 4-37e to 4-
92 37i, inclusive, and recommend any corrective actions needed to ensure
93 such conformance. Each audit report shall disclose the receipt or use
94 by the foundation of any public funds in violation of said sections or
95 any other provision of the general statutes. The foundation shall
96 provide a copy of each audit report completed pursuant to this
97 subdivision to the executive authority of the state agency and the
98 Attorney General. Each financial statement required under this
99 subdivision shall include, for the fiscal year to which the statement
100 applies, the total receipts and earnings from investments of the
101 foundation and the amount and purpose of each receipt of funds by
102 the state agency from the foundation. As used in this subdivision,
103 "fiscal year" means any twelve-month period adopted by a foundation
104 as its accounting year;

105 Sec. 6. Subsection (b) of section 4-37g of the general statutes is
106 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
107 *October 1, 2015*):

108 (b) In the case of an audit required pursuant to section 4-37f, as
109 amended by this act, that was not conducted by the Auditors of Public

110 Accounts, the executive authority and chief financial official of the
111 state agency shall review the audit report received pursuant to said
112 section and, upon such review, the executive authority shall sign a
113 letter indicating that he has reviewed the audit report and transmit a
114 copy of the letter and report to the Auditors of Public Accounts. If such
115 audit report indicates that (1) funds for deposit and retention in state
116 accounts have been deposited and retained in foundation accounts or
117 (2) state funds, personnel, services or facilities may have been used in
118 violation of sections 4-37e to 4-37i, inclusive, or any other provision of
119 the general statutes, the Auditors of Public Accounts may conduct a
120 full audit of the books and accounts of the foundation pertaining to
121 such funds, personnel, services or facilities, in accordance with the
122 provisions of section 2-90, as amended by this act. For the purposes of
123 such audit, the Auditors of Public Accounts shall have access to the
124 working papers compiled by the certified public accountant in the
125 preparation of the audit conducted pursuant to section 4-37f, as
126 amended by this act, which are relevant to such use of state funds,
127 personnel, services or facilities in violation of the provisions of sections
128 4-37e to 4-37i, inclusive, or any other provision of the general statutes.
129 If the audit required pursuant to section 4-37f, as amended by this act,
130 was not conducted, the Auditors of Public Accounts may conduct a
131 full audit of the books and accounts of the foundation, in accordance
132 with the provisions of section 2-90, as amended by this act.

133 Sec. 7. Subdivision (3) of subsection (c) of section 10a-109n of the
134 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
135 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

136 (3) The university shall thereafter give notice to those so
137 prequalified by the university pursuant to subdivision (2) of this
138 section of the time and place where the public letting shall occur and
139 shall include in such notice such information of the work required as
140 appropriate. Each bid or proposal shall be kept sealed until opened
141 publicly at the time and place as set forth in the notice soliciting such
142 bid or proposal. The university shall not award any construction

143 contract, including, but not limited to, any total cost basis contract,
144 after public letting, except to the responsible qualified contractor,
145 submitting the lowest bid or proposal in compliance with the bid or
146 proposal requirements of the solicitation document, [The] except the
147 university may [, however,] (A) waive any informality in a bid or
148 proposal, and [may] (B) either reject all bids or proposals and again
149 advertise for bids or proposals or interview at least three responsible
150 qualified contractors and negotiate and enter into with any one of such
151 contractors that construction contract which is both fair and reasonable
152 to the university.

153 Sec. 8. Section 2-90b of the general statutes is repealed and the
154 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

155 The Auditors of Public Accounts shall [annually] biennially conduct
156 an audit of reimbursements made from the Bradley Enterprise Fund to
157 the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection to cover
158 the cost of Troop W operations carried out in accordance with the
159 memorandum of understanding between the Department of
160 Emergency Services and Public Protection and the Department of
161 Transportation.

162 Sec. 9. Section 4a-50 of the general statutes is repealed and the
163 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2015*):

164 When used in this chapter, unless the context indicates a different
165 meaning:

166 (1) "State agency" includes any officer, department, board, council,
167 commission, institution or other agency of the Executive Department
168 of the state government;

169 (2) "Supplies", "materials" and "equipment" mean any and all
170 articles of personal property furnished to or used by any state agency,
171 including all printing, binding, publication of laws, stationery, forms,
172 and reports;

173 (3) "Contractual services" means any and all laundry and cleaning
174 service, pest control service, janitorial service, security service, the
175 rental and repair, or maintenance, of equipment, machinery and other
176 state-owned personal property, advertising and photostating,
177 mimeographing, and other similar service arrangements where the
178 services are provided by persons other than state employees but
179 excluding consultant services;

180 (4) "Consultant" has the same meaning as provided in section 4e-1,
181 except "consultant" does not include a consultant as such term is
182 defined in section 4b-51, 4b-55 or 13b-20b;

183 (5) "Consultant services" has the same meaning as provided in
184 section 4e-1;

185 [(4)] (6) "Competitive bidding" means the submission of prices by
186 persons, firms or corporations competing for a contract to provide
187 supplies, materials, equipment or contractual services, under a
188 procedure in which the contracting authority does not negotiate prices;

189 [(5)] (7) "Competitive negotiation" means a procedure for
190 contracting for supplies, materials, equipment or contractual services,
191 in which (A) proposals are solicited from qualified suppliers by a
192 request for proposals, and (B) changes may be negotiated in proposals
193 and prices after being submitted;

194 [(6)] (8) "Bidder" means a person, firm or corporation submitting a
195 competitive bid in response to a solicitation; and

196 [(7)] (9) "Proposer" means a person, firm or corporation submitting a
197 proposal in response to a request for proposals.

198 Sec. 10. Section 4a-51 of the general statutes is repealed and the
199 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2015*):

200 (a) The Commissioner of Administrative Services shall: (1) Purchase,
201 lease or contract for all supplies, materials, equipment and contractual

202 services required by any state agency, except as provided in sections 4-
203 98 and 4a-57; (2) enforce standard specifications established in
204 accordance with section 4a-56; (3) establish and operate a central
205 duplicating and mailing room for state agencies located in or near the
206 city of Hartford and such other places as he deems practical; and (4)
207 establish and operate or have supervisory control over other central
208 supply services in such locations as may best serve the requirements of
209 the state agencies.

210 (b) Any contract for consultant services shall be deemed a personal
211 service agreement for purposes of sections 4-212 to 4-219, inclusive.

212 ~~[(b)]~~ (c) The Commissioner of Administrative Services, when
213 purchasing or contracting for the purchase of dairy products, poultry,
214 eggs, beef, pork, lamb, farm-raised fish, fruits or vegetables pursuant
215 to subsection (a) of this section, shall give preference to dairy products,
216 poultry, eggs, beef, pork, lamb, farm-raised fish, fruits or vegetables
217 grown or produced in this state, when such products, poultry, eggs,
218 beef, pork, lamb, farm-raised fish, fruits or vegetables are comparable
219 in cost to other dairy products, poultry, eggs, beef, pork, lamb, farm-
220 raised fish, fruits or vegetables being considered for purchase by the
221 commissioner that have not been grown or produced in this state.

222 Sec. 11. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2015*) Any state agency executing
223 a personal services agreement having a cost of fifty thousand dollars or
224 less for audit services shall submit such agreement to the Auditors of
225 Public Accounts for approval at least fifteen days prior to executing
226 such agreement. The auditors shall review such agreement and advise
227 the state agency whether such audit services are necessary and, if so,
228 could be provided by the auditors.

229 Sec. 12. Section 4-61dd of the general statutes is repealed and the
230 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2015*):

231 (a) Any person having knowledge of any matter involving
232 corruption, unethical practices, violation of state laws or regulations,

233 mismanagement, gross waste of funds, abuse of authority or danger to
234 the public safety occurring in any state department or agency, [or] any
235 quasi-public agency, as defined in section 1-120, or any probate court,
236 or any person having knowledge of any matter involving corruption,
237 violation of state or federal laws or regulations, gross waste of funds,
238 abuse of authority or danger to the public safety occurring in any large
239 state contract, may transmit all facts and information in such person's
240 possession concerning such matter to the Auditors of Public Accounts.
241 The Auditors of Public Accounts shall review such matter and report
242 their findings and any recommendations to the Attorney General.
243 Upon receiving such a report, the Attorney General shall make such
244 investigation as the Attorney General deems proper regarding such
245 report and any other information that may be reasonably derived from
246 such report. Prior to conducting an investigation of any information
247 that may be reasonably derived from such report, the Attorney
248 General shall consult with the Auditors of Public Accounts concerning
249 the relationship of such additional information to the report that has
250 been issued pursuant to this subsection. Any such subsequent
251 investigation deemed appropriate by the Attorney General shall only
252 be conducted with the concurrence and assistance of the Auditors of
253 Public Accounts. At the request of the Attorney General or on their
254 own initiative, the auditors shall assist in the investigation.

255 (b) (1) The Auditors of Public Accounts may reject any complaint
256 received pursuant to subsection (a) of this section if the Auditors of
257 Public Accounts determine one or more of the following:

258 (A) There are other available remedies that the complainant can
259 reasonably be expected to pursue;

260 (B) The complaint is better suited for investigation or enforcement
261 by another state agency;

262 (C) The complaint is trivial, frivolous, vexatious or not made in
263 good faith;

264 (D) Other complaints have greater priority in terms of serving the
265 public good;

266 (E) The complaint is not timely or is too long delayed to justify
267 further investigation; or

268 (F) The complaint could be handled more appropriately as part of
269 an ongoing or scheduled regular audit.

270 (2) If the Auditors of Public Accounts reject a complaint pursuant to
271 subdivision (1) of this subsection, the Auditors of Public Accounts
272 shall provide a report to the Attorney General setting out the basis for
273 the rejection.

274 (3) If at any time the Auditors of Public Accounts determine that a
275 complaint is more appropriately investigated by another state agency,
276 the Auditors of Public Accounts shall refer the complaint to such
277 agency. The investigating agency shall provide a status report
278 regarding the referred complaint to the Auditors of Public Accounts
279 upon request.

280 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 12-15, the
281 Commissioner of Revenue Services may, upon written request by the
282 Auditors of Public Accounts, disclose return or return information, as
283 defined in section 12-15, to the Auditors of Public Accounts for
284 purposes of preparing a report under subsection (a) or (b) of this
285 section. Such return or return information shall not be published in
286 any report prepared in accordance with subsection (a) or (b) of this
287 section, and shall not otherwise be redisclosed, except that such
288 information may be redisclosed to the Attorney General for purposes
289 of an investigation authorized by subsection (a) of this section. Any
290 person who violates the provisions of this subsection shall be subject to
291 the provisions of subsection (g) of section 12-15.

292 (d) The Attorney General may summon witnesses, require the
293 production of any necessary books, papers or other documents and

294 administer oaths to witnesses, where necessary, for the purpose of an
295 investigation pursuant to this section or for the purpose of
296 investigating a suspected violation of subsection (a) of section 4-275
297 until such time as the Attorney General files a civil action pursuant to
298 section 4-276. Upon the conclusion of the investigation, the Attorney
299 General shall where necessary, report any findings to the Governor, or
300 in matters involving a probate court, to the Probate Court
301 Administrator, or in matters involving criminal activity, to the Chief
302 State's Attorney. In addition to the exempt records provision of section
303 1-210, the Auditors of Public Accounts and the Attorney General shall
304 not, after receipt of any information from a person under the
305 provisions of this section or sections 4-276 to 4-280, inclusive, disclose
306 the identity of such person without such person's consent unless the
307 Auditors of Public Accounts or the Attorney General determines that
308 such disclosure is unavoidable, and may withhold records of such
309 investigation, during the pendency of the investigation.

310 (e) (1) No state officer or employee, as defined in section 4-141, no
311 quasi-public agency officer or employee, no probate officer or
312 employee, no officer or employee of a large state contractor and no
313 appointing authority shall take or threaten to take any personnel
314 action against any state or quasi-public agency employee, any probate
315 court employee or any employee of a large state contractor in
316 retaliation for (A) such employee's or contractor's disclosure of
317 information to (i) an employee of the Auditors of Public Accounts or
318 the Attorney General under the provisions of subsection (a) of this
319 section; (ii) an employee of the state agency or quasi-public agency
320 where such state officer or employee is employed; (iii) an employee of
321 a state agency pursuant to a mandated reporter statute or pursuant to
322 subsection (b) of section 17a-28; (iv) an employee of the probate court
323 where such employee is employed; or ~~[(iv)]~~ (v) in the case of a large
324 state contractor, an employee of the contracting state agency
325 concerning information involving the large state contract; or (B) such
326 employee's testimony or assistance in any proceeding under this

327 section.

328 (2) (A) Not later than ninety days after learning of the specific
329 incident giving rise to a claim that a personnel action has been
330 threatened or has occurred in violation of subdivision (1) of this
331 subsection, a state or quasi-public agency employee, a probate court
332 employee, an employee of a large state contractor or the employee's
333 attorney may file a complaint against the state agency, quasi-public
334 agency, probate court, large state contractor or appointing authority
335 concerning such personnel action with the Chief Human Rights
336 Referee designated under section 46a-57. Such complaint may be
337 amended if an additional incident giving rise to a claim under this
338 subdivision occurs subsequent to the filing of the original complaint.
339 The Chief Human Rights Referee shall assign the complaint to a
340 human rights referee appointed under section 46a-57, who shall
341 conduct a hearing and issue a decision concerning whether the officer
342 or employee taking or threatening to take the personnel action violated
343 any provision of this section. The human rights referee may order a
344 state agency or quasi-public agency to produce (i) an employee of such
345 agency or quasi-public agency to testify as a witness in any proceeding
346 under this subdivision, or (ii) books, papers or other documents
347 relevant to the complaint, without issuing a subpoena. If such agency
348 or quasi-public agency fails to produce such witness, books, papers or
349 documents, not later than thirty days after such order, the human
350 rights referee may consider such failure as supporting evidence for the
351 complainant. If, after the hearing, the human rights referee finds a
352 violation, the referee may award the aggrieved employee
353 reinstatement to the employee's former position, back pay and
354 reestablishment of any employee benefits for which the employee
355 would otherwise have been eligible if such violation had not occurred,
356 reasonable attorneys' fees, and any other damages. For the purposes of
357 this subsection, such human rights referee shall act as an independent
358 hearing officer. The decision of a human rights referee under this
359 subsection may be appealed by any person who was a party at such

360 hearing, in accordance with the provisions of section 4-183.

361 (B) The Chief Human Rights Referee shall adopt regulations, in
362 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, establishing the
363 procedure for filing complaints and noticing and conducting hearings
364 under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision.

365 (3) As an alternative to the provisions of subdivision (2) of this
366 subsection: (A) A state or quasi-public agency employee who alleges
367 that a personnel action has been threatened or taken may file an appeal
368 not later than ninety days after learning of the specific incident giving
369 rise to such claim with the Employees' Review Board under section 5-
370 202, or, in the case of a state or quasi-public agency employee covered
371 by a collective bargaining contract, in accordance with the procedure
372 provided by such contract; or (B) an employee of a probate court or of
373 a large state contractor alleging that such action has been threatened or
374 taken may, after exhausting all available administrative remedies,
375 bring a civil action in accordance with the provisions of subsection (c)
376 of section 31-51m.

377 (4) In any proceeding under subdivision (2) or (3) of this subsection
378 concerning a personnel action taken or threatened against any state or
379 quasi-public agency employee, probate court employee or any
380 employee of a large state contractor, which personnel action occurs not
381 later than two years after the employee first transmits facts and
382 information concerning a matter under subsection (a) of this section or
383 discloses information under subdivision (1) of this subsection to the
384 Auditors of Public Accounts, the Attorney General or an employee of a
385 state agency, [or] quasi-public agency or probate court, as applicable,
386 there shall be a rebuttable presumption that the personnel action is in
387 retaliation for the action taken by the employee under subsection (a) of
388 this section or subdivision (1) of this subsection.

389 (5) If a state officer or employee, as defined in section 4-141, a quasi-
390 public agency officer or employee, an officer or employee of a large

391 state contractor or an appointing authority takes or threatens to take
392 any action to impede, fail to renew or cancel a contract between a state
393 agency and a large state contractor, or between a large state contractor
394 and its subcontractor, in retaliation for the disclosure of information
395 pursuant to subsection (a) of this section or subdivision (1) of this
396 subsection to any agency listed in subdivision (1) of this subsection,
397 such affected agency, contractor or subcontractor may, not later than
398 ninety days after learning of such action, threat or failure to renew,
399 bring a civil action in the superior court for the judicial district of
400 Hartford to recover damages, attorney's fees and costs.

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

412 (g) On or before September first, annually, the Auditors of Public
413 Accounts shall submit, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-
414 4a, to the clerk of each house of the General Assembly a report
415 indicating the number of matters for which facts and information were
416 transmitted to the auditors pursuant to this section during the
417 preceding state fiscal year and the disposition of each such matter.

418 (h) Each contract between a state or quasi-public agency and a large
419 state contractor shall provide that, if an officer, employee or
420 appointing authority of a large state contractor takes or threatens to
421 take any personnel action against any employee of the contractor in
422 retaliation for such employee's disclosure of information to any

423 employee of the contracting state or quasi-public agency or the
424 Auditors of Public Accounts or the Attorney General under the
425 provisions of subsection (a) or subdivision (1) of subsection (e) of this
426 section, the contractor shall be liable for a civil penalty of not more
427 than five thousand dollars for each offense, up to a maximum of
428 twenty per cent of the value of the contract. Each violation shall be a
429 separate and distinct offense and in the case of a continuing violation
430 each calendar day's continuance of the violation shall be deemed to be
431 a separate and distinct offense. The executive head of the state or
432 quasi-public agency may request the Attorney General to bring a civil
433 action in the superior court for the judicial district of Hartford to seek
434 imposition and recovery of such civil penalty.

435 (i) Each state agency or quasi-public agency shall post a notice of the
436 provisions of this section relating to state employees and quasi-public
437 agency employees in a conspicuous place that is readily available for
438 viewing by employees of such agency or quasi-public agency. Each
439 probate court shall post a notice of the provisions of this section
440 relating to probate court employees in a conspicuous place that is
441 readily available for viewing by employees of such court. Each large
442 state contractor shall post a notice of the provisions of this section
443 relating to large state contractors in a conspicuous place which is
444 readily available for viewing by the employees of the contractor.

445 (j) No person who, in good faith, discloses information in
446 accordance with the provisions of this section shall be liable for any
447 civil damages resulting from such good faith disclosure.

448 (k) As used in this section:

449 (1) "Large state contract" means a contract between an entity and a
450 state or quasi-public agency, having a value of five million dollars or
451 more; and

452 (2) "Large state contractor" means an entity that has entered into a
453 large state contract with a state or quasi-public agency.

454 Sec. 13. Subsection (a) of section 1-123 of the general statutes is
455 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
456 *passage*):

457 (a) The board of directors of each quasi-public agency shall annually
458 submit a report to the Governor and the Auditors of Public Accounts
459 and two copies of such report to the Legislative Program Review and
460 Investigations Committee. Such report shall include, but not be limited
461 to, the following: (1) A list of all bond issues for the preceding fiscal
462 year, including, for each such issue, the financial advisor and
463 underwriters, whether the issue was competitive, negotiated or
464 privately placed, and the issue's face value and net proceeds; (2) a list
465 of all projects other than those pertaining to owner-occupied housing
466 or student loans receiving financial assistance during the preceding
467 fiscal year, including each project's purpose, location, and the amount
468 of funds provided by the agency; (3) a list of all outside individuals
469 and firms receiving in excess of five thousand dollars in the form of
470 loans, grants or payments for services, except for individuals receiving
471 loans for owner-occupied housing and education; (4) a balance sheet
472 and operating statement showing all revenues and expenditures; (5)
473 the cumulative value of all bonds issued, the value of outstanding
474 bonds, and the amount of the state's contingent liability; (6) the
475 affirmative action policy statement, a description of the composition of
476 the agency's work force by race, sex, and occupation and a description
477 of the agency's affirmative action efforts; and (7) a description of
478 planned activities for the current fiscal year. Not later than thirty days
479 after receiving copies of such report from the board of a quasi-public
480 agency, the Legislative Program Review and Investigations Committee
481 shall prepare an assessment of whether the report complies with the
482 requirements of this section and shall submit the assessment and a
483 copy of the report to the joint standing committee of the General
484 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the quasi-public
485 agency.

486 Sec. 14. Subsection (h) of section 38a-1051 of the general statutes is

487 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
 488 *passage*):

489 (h) The commission shall be within the [Office of the Healthcare
 490 Advocate] Insurance Department for administrative purposes only.

491 Sec. 15. Sections 6-33, 6-33a, 6-36, 6-38j and 6-38l of the general
 492 statutes are repealed. (*Effective from passage*)

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	2-90(e)
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	4-33a
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2015</i>	4-215
Sec. 4	<i>October 1, 2015</i>	1-101pp
Sec. 5	<i>October 1, 2015</i>	4-37f(8)
Sec. 6	<i>October 1, 2015</i>	4-37g(b)
Sec. 7	<i>from passage</i>	10a-109n(c)(3)
Sec. 8	<i>from passage</i>	2-90b
Sec. 9	<i>October 1, 2015</i>	4a-50
Sec. 10	<i>October 1, 2015</i>	4a-51
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Statement of Purpose:

To implement the recommendations of the Auditors of Public Accounts contained in their annual report to the General Assembly.

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