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Substitute Senate Bill No. 180

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The Committee on Government Administration and Elections reported through SEN. FLEXER of the 29th Dist. and SEN. MCLACHLAN, M. of the 24th Dist., Chairpersons of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT REQUIRING EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE REVIEW OF CERTAIN QUASI-PUBLIC AGENCY CONTRACTS.

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

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2018, and applicable to contracts*
2 *entered into or renewed on or after said date*) (a) For the purposes of this
3 section, "quasi-public agency" has the same meaning as provided in
4 section 1-120 of the general statutes and "contract" means any of the
5 following that a quasi-public agency intends to enter into or renew: (1)
6 An employment contract with an annual increase or bonus of more
7 than fifty thousand dollars, (2) a consulting contract with an annual
8 cost of more than five hundred thousand dollars, or (3) a separation
9 agreement with a cost of more than one hundred thousand dollars.
- 10 (b) On and after October 1, 2018, each quasi-public agency shall
11 submit a copy of each contract to the Attorney General for review and
12 comment prior to entering into or renewing such contract. The quasi-

13 public agency shall also, at the time of submission of such contract to
 14 the Attorney General, submit a copy of such contract to the joint
 15 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of
 16 such quasi-public agency, in accordance with the provisions of section
 17 11-4a of the general statutes. The provisions of this section shall not
 18 apply to any third-party consulting contract with a firm or individual
 19 associated with financial activities, if such contract is entered into or
 20 renewed for the purposes of (1) complying with state or federal law or
 21 regulation, or (2) administering a federal program.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2018, and applicable to contracts entered into or renewed on or after said date</i>	New section

Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

In Section 1(b), "or renewed" was added for consistency.

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OFA Fiscal Note***State Impact:*** None***Municipal Impact:*** None***Explanation***

The bill, which requires certain contracts and agreements be submitted to the Attorney General and legislative committee of cognizance, has no fiscal impact.

The Out Years***State Impact:*** None***Municipal Impact:*** None

OLR Bill Analysis**sSB 180*****AN ACT REQUIRING EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE REVIEW OF CERTAIN QUASI-PUBLIC AGENCY CONTRACTS.*****SUMMARY**

This bill requires that the following quasi-public agency contracts and agreements be submitted, prior to execution or renewal, to the attorney general for review and comment and also to the legislative committee of cognizance over the agency: (1) employment contracts with an annual increase or bonus of more than \$50,000, (2) consulting contracts with an annual cost of more than \$500,000, and (3) separation agreements over \$100,000. The bill exempts third-party consulting contracts associated with financial activities for the purposes of complying with state or federal law or regulation or administering a federal program.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2018, and applicable to contracts entered into or renewed on or after this date.

BACKGROUND***Related Bill***

sHB 5178, reported favorably by the Government Administration and Elections Committee, requires similar review of quasi-public agency contracts and agreements, without the exemption for financial consulting contracts. The bill also requires submission of the quasi-public agency's annual report to its committee of cognizance.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Government Administration and Elections Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 16 Nay 0 (03/09/2018)