

Amend Amendment No. 171 to **CSSB 1** (house committee printing) by Martinez-Fischer (page 251 of the prefiled amendment packet) by striking lines 4-22 of the amendment and substituting the following:

Sec. _____. Transparency in State Agency Operations. It is the intent of the legislature that each state agency, using funds appropriated to the agency by this Act, shall dedicate at least one full-time equivalent employee to perform the following duties:

(1) regularly consult with the state auditor and the comptroller to determine the agency's compliance with established best practices procedures and develop a plan to ensure continued compliance with those procedures;

(2) determine whether any conflicts of interest exist in the agency's current contracting practices, in the management practices of the governing body of the agency, or in the operations of any foundation or charitable organization that the agency is affiliated with;

(3) advise the governing body of the agency or, if applicable, the single state officer who governs the agency, in writing, of any deviation by the agency from best practices procedures and any conflicts of interest identified under Subdivision (2) of this section; and

(4) take any other authorized action relating to the implementation of agency policies and management practices that reflect an open and transparent approach to agency operations.