



**NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING
AMENDMENT TO CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5
REGARDING
BOARD CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE**

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to Standing Order 200, the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges proposes to adopt the regulations described below after considering all comments, objections, or recommendations regarding the proposed action.

PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing will be held during the next regularly scheduled Board of Governors meeting on March 16, 2020, at 1102 Q Street, Sacramento, California. The Board meeting will commence at the hour of 1:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the business of the Agency will permit. The room is wheelchair accessible. Other disability-related accommodations such as materials in alternate media, sign language interpreters, or real time transcription will be provided to persons with disabilities upon request. Parking accessible for persons with disabilities is available near the facility. Persons requesting such accommodations should notify Christina Castro, 1102 Q Street, Suite 4500 Sacramento, CA 95811-6549, ccastro@ccco.edu, 916-323-5889, no less than five working days prior to the meeting. The Chancellor's Office will make efforts to meet requests made after such date, if possible.

At the hearing, any person may present statements or arguments, orally or in writing, relevant to the proposed regulatory action described in the Informative Digest. The Board of Governors requests, but does not require, that persons who make oral comments at the hearing also submit a written summary of their comments. No oral comments will be accepted subsequent to this public hearing.

WRITTEN COMMENT PERIOD

Any interested person may submit written comments relevant to the proposed regulatory action. To help ensure comments are understood as they are intended, we suggest that they clearly identify the proposed regulation that each comment addresses, with reference to specific section and subparagraph numbers where appropriate. Please arrange comments in the same order as in the proposed regulatory action. Comments should be addressed to:

Regulations Coordinator
California Community Colleges
Chancellor's Office
1102 Q Street, Suite 4550
Sacramento, CA 95811-6549
regcomments@cccco.edu

Comments must be received by the Regulations Coordinator prior to 4:00 p.m. on April 15, 2020. All written comments received by CCCCO staff during the public comment period are subject to disclosure under the Public Records Act.

CHANGES OR MODIFICATIONS TO PROPOSED TITLE 5 AMENDMENTS

Following the public hearing and considering all timely and relevant comments received, the Board of Governors may adopt the proposed regulatory action substantially as described in this Notice or may modify the proposed regulatory action if the modifications are sufficiently related to the original text. With the exception of technical or grammatical changes, the full text of any modified proposed regulatory action will be available for 15 days prior to its adoption, and will be provided to those persons who have requested or are required to receive notification of regulatory actions, or who have provided written or oral comments relevant to the proposed regulatory action.

AUTHORITY AND REFERENCE

Authority: Government Code Sections 87300 and 87307.

Reference: Government Code Sections 89503, 89505 and 87300 et seq.,.

INFORMATIVE DIGEST

The Political Reform Act and its related regulations require every state agency to have a conflict of interest code which identifies all agency officials and

employees who make or participate in making governmental decisions. An agency's conflict of interest code must reflect the current structure of the organization and identifies the officials and employees who must file Statements of Economic Interests (Form 700) and the disclosure categories applicable to each.

Every two years during odd-numbered years, state agencies must review their conflict of interest code and determine whether it must be updated due to the elimination or addition of positions, changes in duties of particular positions, or a modification in the agency's organizational structure. If such an update is necessary, agencies must work with the Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) to amend and adopt the modified code. In 2019, the Chancellor's Office conducted such a review and found that its conflict of interest code needed to be updated. After obtaining preliminary approval of its draft amended conflict of interest code from the FPPC, the Chancellor's Office presented it for review by the Consultation Council on February 20, 2020 and will bring it before the Board of Governors for a first reading at the March 2020 meeting.

ESTIMATED COST OR SAVINGS OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

The estimated cost or savings of the proposed amendments are anticipated to be as follows:

Mandate on local agencies or community college districts: None.

Cost or savings to state agencies: None.

Costs to local agencies or community college districts for which reimbursement would be required pursuant to part 7 (commencing with section 17500) of division 4 title 2 of the Government Code: None.

Other non-discretionary cost or savings imposed on community college districts: None.

Cost or savings in federal funding to state agencies: None.

CONTACT PERSON

Inquiries concerning the content of these regulations may be directed to the Regulations Coordinator, at regcomments@cccco.edu.

TEXT OF PROPOSED REGULATIONS AND CORRESPONDING DOCUMENTS

Copies of the exact language of the proposed regulatory action, and all of the information upon which the proposal is based, may be obtained online at:

[Office of General Counsel - Pending Regulatory Action](#)

Those who receive the Board of Governors Agenda package for the March 16, 2020, meeting can find a further description of the proposal and the full text of the regulatory action. You may also request a copy of the proposal from the Regulations Coordinator using the contact information provided above.