



# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## OFFICE OF STATE ETHICS

### THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL ETHICS CITIZEN'S ETHICS ADVISORY BOARD OFFICE OF STATE ETHICS 165 Capitol Avenue, Suite 1200, Hartford, CT 06106

#### MINUTES OF THE MAY 19, 2022 SPECIAL MEETING

The Subcommittee on Municipal Ethics of the Citizen's Ethics Advisory Board ("Subcommittee") of the Office of State Ethics ("OSE") held a Special Meeting on Thursday, May 19, 2022.

The Chair of the Subcommittee, Mary Bigelow, called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

**The following Subcommittee members were present:**

Mary Bigelow, Chair  
Charles F. Chiusano  
Cheryl Lipson

**The following staff members of the OSE were present:**

Peter Lewandowski, Executive Director  
Melissa Hamilton, Paralegal & Clerk of the Board

**The following topics were addressed during the meeting:**

Subcommittee members discussed the status of municipal ethics in Connecticut with Betsy Gara of Connecticut Council of Small Towns and Randy Collins of Connecticut Conference of Municipalities. The discussion focused on the possible regionalization of municipal ethics matters; benefits and disadvantages of pursuing regional enforcement of local ethics matters; the crafting of a proposal regarding the organization and management of enforcement of local ethics matters, including the role of the local ethics board and the role of the regional Councils of Governments; and looking into the possibility of approaching Councils of Governments to take on local ethics enforcement.

The Subcommittee is scheduled to reconvene on June 16, 2022, at 2:00 p.m.

**On the motion of Mr. Chiusano, seconded by Ms. Lipson, the Subcommittee voted three to zero to adjourn the meeting.**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,



Melissa Hamilton  
Clerk of the Board  
Office of State Ethics

June 16, 2022  
Date approved  
(By the Subcommittee of the Citizen's Ethics Advisory Board)