

To Local Housing Authorities

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## **Subject: Suspension of In-Person Open Meeting Requirements**

On March 14, 2020, Governor Ned Lamont issued Executive Order 7B to order and direct the suspension of in-person open meetings for the duration of the public health and civil preparedness emergency due to COVID-19. This order applies to public board meetings conducted by local Housing Authorities and all other open meeting provisions of Sections 1-206, 1-225, and 1-226 of the Connecticut General Statutes, and any municipal charter or ordinance.

**Notice:** OPRHS 20-005

Should the Housing Authority elect to hold such meetings or proceedings remotely by conference call, video conference, or other technology, additional provisions must be met. For a summary of those requirements, please follow the link below.

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/FOI/QuickLinks/Exec-Order-Excerpt-re-Open-Meetings.pdf

To view Executive Order 7B in its entirety, please visit the following link.

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