Proposal to Amend Conflict of Interest Regulations 18705.3—Source of Income Materiality; 18705.4—Source of Gift Materiality; and 18705.5—Personal Financial Effects Materiality

Staff of the Fair Political Practices Commission will be holding an interested persons meeting to solicit public input relating to amending the Political Reform Act’s (the “Act”), conflict of interest regulations specifying what constitutes a “material financial effect” on a public official’s financial interest in a source of income, source of gift, or a personal financial effect. (See Section 87103 and Regulations 18705, 18705.3, 18705.4, and 18705.5.)

In a continuing effort to clarify and simplify regulations pertaining to the implementation of the Act, staff is soliciting input to improve the conflict of interest regulations. The Commission has adopted regulations modifying what is considered a material financial effect on a real property interest and a business entity interest as the first two items in an effort to improve the materiality standards. The current effort continues this process. This meeting seeks public input on draft language.

Proposed language for amended Regulations 18705, 18705.3, 18705.4, and 18705.5 can be reviewed at http://www.fppc.ca.gov/index.php?id=247#2. Staff intends to present suggested language to the Commission at the January 15, 2014 Commission meeting.

• You may participate in this interested persons meeting in person (at the Commission’s offices).

You may participate in this interested persons meeting remotely through gotowebinar.com. To participate remotely, please register for Interested Persons Meeting - Proposal to Amend Regulations 18705, 18705.3, 18705.4, and 18705.5 on December 9, 2014, at 2:00 pm PST at: https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7401155077410558721.

• After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Note. Gotowebinar is an audio and text-based interface. Participants can hear the live broadcast and may send in written questions from their computer and receive real-time responses. However, there is no visual video component.

• You may also listen to this interested persons meeting by teleconference by calling (877) 411-9748; access code 723284.
Finally, the Commission also invites written comments addressing these topics. You may also contact William J. Lenkeit at (916) 322-5660 blenkeit@fppc.ca.gov with comments on these issues or questions about the meeting.

For questions about participation in this meeting, you may contact Virginia Latteri-Lopez at (916) 322-5660.