

Legislative & Rules Committee – Board of Representatives

Eileen Heaphy, Chair

Subcommittee Report

Date: Wednesday, August 6, 2014

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Republican Caucus Room, 4th Floor Government Center, 888 Washington

Boulevard, Stamford, CT

A subcommittee of the Legislative & Rules Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Heaphy and Reps. Okun and Zelinsky.

Item No.

Description

1. <u>LR29.022</u> REVIEW; Purchasing Ordinance (Code Chapter 23,

Article II)

06/04/14 - Submitted by Reps. Fedeli, Day, Coppola and

Fountain

06/16/14 – No Action Taken 07/21/14 – Held in Committee

The Subcommittee reviewed the proposed changes to the Purchasing Ordinance, including:

- raising the limits as recommended by the Purchasing Department and endorsed by the Engineering Department
 - o Purchasing Ordinance has not been amended since 1999.
 - Rep. Zelinsky recommended keeping or reducing the limits in the current ordinance rather than accepting the recommendations for increases
- amending the ordinance to require a biannual report to the Board of Representatives and Board
 of Finance of all contracts over \$100,000 procured by state or federal bid or by municipal
 cooperative association.
 - Rep. Zelinsky recommended reducing the reporting requirement to \$50,000

Rep. Okun and Rep. Heaphy were in favor of all the recommendations. Rep. Zelinsky was in favor of either keeping or reducing the current limits but was in favor of adding the biannual reporting requirement.

Rep. Zelinsky recommended:

- amending §23-16.B(1) to eliminate oral quotations
- amending §23-18.4.C(2) to add Board of Representatives
- amending §23-18.4.1.A to change "not less than one year" to "not less than six months"
- amending §23-18.12.A(4) to increase the disqualification period to 5 years
- amending §23-18.12.C(3) to clarify "bona fide change in ownership"

Respectfully submitted,

Eileen Heaphy, Chair

This meeting is on video.