## State of California Office of Administrative Law

In re: Department of Human Resources

**Regulatory Action:** 

Title 02, California Code of Regulations

Amend section: 599.943

NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF REGULATORY ACTION

Government Code Section 11349.3

OAL Matter Number: 2023-1201-02

OAL Matter Type: Regular Resubmittal (SR)

This action by the Department of Human Resources amends contract bidding procedures for the Savings Plus Program in accordance with Public Contract Code section 10344.1.

OAL approves this regulatory action pursuant to section 11349.3 of the Government Code. This regulatory action becomes effective on April 1, 2024.

Date: January 17, 2024

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## **Final Text**

## Title 2. Administration Division 1. Administrative Personnel Chapter 3. Department of Human Resources Subchapter 1. General Civil Service Rules Article 27. 457 Deferred Compensation Plan Section 599.943 Contract <del>Periods Bidding Process</del>

Section 599.943 Contract Periods Bidding Process.

- (a) Before awarding an agreement to a potential contractorPrior to the conclusion of each contract period with investment firms, the DepartmentCalifornia Department of Human Resources (Department) shall comply with the state's competitive bid process that shall be used to select the firm to be awarded the new contract offer qualified bidders a fair opportunity to participate in the bidding process. To the extent feasible, the Department will utilize the following public bidding procedures: Such process shall be undertaken at least every five calendar years.
  - (1) Post the bid publicly through the departmental public announcement, industry related national association and national publication web pages.
  - (2) <u>Provide instructions, including the application deadline and process, for prospective bidders</u> to apply through the contract procurement webpage.
  - (3) Avoid unnecessary restrictions to competition.
  - (4) Follow predetermined procedures developed in compliance with applicable laws to ensure fair competition.
  - (5) <u>Review and evaluate bidder responses to select the contract awardee.</u>
  - (6) Publicly announce the contract winner on the department's announcement web page.
  - (7) Finalize the contract based on the solicitation specifications and the contractor's response.
- (b) Notwithstanding subsection (a) above, the Department may utilize a non-public bidding process if deemed necessary to maintain the continuity of services and if it is in the best interest of the Plan, as determined by the Department and on a case-by-case basis. The Department will follow all public bidding processes except for publicly announcing and awarding the solicitation under subsections (a)(1), (a)(2), and (a)(6). Additionally, the Department will work with contracted consultants to source through a diverse set of firms and notify potential bidders of the upcoming request for a proposal.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 18502, 19815.4(d), 19815 and 19993, Government Code. Reference: Sections 11010.5, 19815.2, 19815.4, 19815.6, 19993, 53601 and 53602, Government Code; and Sections 10340 10295, 10344.1, and 10430, Public Contract Code.