

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR DISCLOSURE BY ELECTED STATE PUBLIC OFFICIAL
UNDER G. L. c. 268A, § 6A**

ACTION AFFECTING YOUR FINANCIAL INTERESTS

WHEN TO USE THE § 6A DISCLOSURE FORM

You are an **elected state public official**, and in the discharge of your official duties, you **will be required knowingly to take an action which would substantially affect your own financial interests**. You must file a **§ 6A Disclosure** with the State Ethics Commission before you take the action.

You do **not** have to file a § 6A Disclosure, however, if the effect of the action on you is no greater than the effect on the general public or the effect on all other state employees.

WHO IS A PUBLIC OFFICIAL?

A public official, as defined by G.L. c. 268B, § 1, is **anyone who holds a public office for which one is nominated at a state primary or chosen at a state election**.

"Public official" does **not** include the positions of Senator and Representative in Congress and the office of regional district school committee member elected district-wide.

"Public official" does **not** include any elected municipal officials, such as City Councilors or Selectmen.

FILING THE § 6A DISCLOSURE

Complete and sign the Disclosure, and **file it with the State Ethics Commission**.

If you need advice about completing the disclosure, please call the Attorney of the Day at (617) 371-9500 or e-mail the State Ethics Commission at requestadvice@massmail.state.ma.us.