

## **Summary of Significant Changes to 2018 Minnesota Legal Compliance Audit Guides**

### **CITIES**

#### **Contracting – Bid Laws Section**

P.4-1, Introduction. References to bidding threshold changed from \$100,000 to \$175,000, and quotes required for contracts from \$25,000 to \$175,000.

P.4-2, A.1. [Same]

P.4-3, A.2. and 2.a.(1) [Same]

P. 4-6, J.3. and 3.a. References threshold change from \$100,000 to \$175,000 for contractor's bonds.

P.4-7 , Section J. Group Insurance added "Note" indicating the Public Employee Insurance Program (PEIP) is exempt from requirements of Minn. Stat. Section 471.6161 (per Minn. Stat. Section 43A.316 Subd. 10)

#### **Miscellaneous Provisions**

P.7-3, F. 1. Compensation Limit. Changes to the 110% of governor's salary figure: 2015 omitted and \$171,338 added for 2018.

P. 7-4 to 7-5 Added Sections M., N., O. and P. If city has relief association then state aid (M.) and supplemental state aid (P.) must be transmitted to relief within 30 days of receipt by city treasurer. For cities with no volunteer relief association and that participate in the voluntary statewide lump-sum voluntary firefighter retirement plan, fire state aid received must be transmitted to the voluntary statewide lump-sum voluntary firefighter retirement plan. See (O) P.7-5. If the city received state aid and had no relief and did not participate in the voluntary statewide lump-sum voluntary firefighter retirement plan, then these funds may only be spent for certain items set forth in Minn. Stat. 424A.08 (a) and (b). See (N) on P. 7-4 and 7-5.

These sections (M-P) were formerly in the Relief Association Checklist. They have been moved to the Cities checklist because they relate to city activity and not relief association activity.

### **Counties**

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P.4-2, A.1. and A.2. [Same]

P.4-6, Change to Note: adding reference to new bidding exception for small businesses in county program and for businesses certified by Commissioner of Administration as veteran or disabled veteran businesses. (Minn. Stat. Section 471.345 Subd. 20)

P. 4-7, 3. References threshold change from \$100,000 to \$175,000 for contractor's bonds.

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### Towns

#### Contracting – Bid Laws

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## **School Districts**

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P. 4-6, J.3.a. References threshold change from \$100,000 to \$175,000 for contractor's bonds.

P. 4-6, Section I. Group Insurance added "Note" indicating the Public Employee Insurance Program (PEIP) is exempt from requirements of Minn. Stat. Section 471.6161 (per Minn. Stat. Section 43A.316 Subd. 10)

## **Charter Schools**

No changes

## **Relief Associations**

P. 1-16, H. Eliminated "an organization" and "or township"

I.1. Added "fire department"; eliminated "municipality or firefighting corporation" and "or corporation".

2. Added "independent nonprofit firefighting" and "or of the joint powers entity."

P. 1-16 and 1-17, Eliminated Part IX and Part X. These sections now found in the City and Town checklists