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**TITLE 2. GOVERNMENT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA [8000 - 22980]** ( Title 2 enacted by Stats. 1943, Ch. 134. )

**DIVISION 1. GENERAL [8000 - 8899.95]** ( Division 1 enacted by Stats. 1943, Ch. 134. )

**CHAPTER 5.6. Governor's Office of Service and Community Engagement [8400 - 8422]** ( Chapter 5.6 repealed and added by Stats. 2024, Ch. 41, Sec. 30. )

**ARTICLE 1. Establishment and Functions of the Governor's Office of Service and Community Engagement [8400 - 8403]** ( Article 1 added by Stats. 2024, Ch. 41, Sec. 30. )

**8400.** As used in this chapter, except as otherwise provided:

- (a) "Director" means the Director of the Governor's Office of Service and Community Engagement.
- (b) "Office" means the Governor's Office of Service and Community Engagement established in this article.

(Repealed and added by Stats. 2024, Ch. 41, Sec. 30. (SB 164) Effective June 29, 2024.)

**8401.** (a) The Governor's Office of Service and Community Engagement is hereby established in state government in the Governor's office. The office shall be under the direct control of a Director of the Governor's Office of Service and Community Engagement, who shall be responsible to the Governor.

(b) The Governor's Office of Service and Community Engagement shall engage Californians in service, volunteering, and civic action to tackle our state's most pressing challenges.

(c) The Governor shall appoint the Director of the Governor's Office of Service and Community Engagement, who shall perform all duties, exercise all powers, assume and discharge all responsibilities, and carry out and effect all purposes vested by law in the office, including contracting for professional or consultant services in connection with the work of the office.

(d) The salary of the Director of the Governor's Office of Service and Community Engagement shall be fixed pursuant to Section 12001.

(Added by Stats. 2024, Ch. 41, Sec. 30. (SB 164) Effective June 29, 2024.)

**8402.** The work of the office shall be organized within the following offices or programs:

- (a) CaliforniaVolunteers.
- (b) The Office of Community Partnerships and Strategic Communications.
- (c) The California Youth Empowerment Commission established by the California Youth Empowerment Act (Chapter 3.4 (commencing with Section 8261)).

(Added by Stats. 2024, Ch. 41, Sec. 30. (SB 164) Effective June 29, 2024.)

**8403.** Commencing on July 1, 2024, each of the following shall occur:

(a) The Governor's Office of Service and Community Engagement in the office of the Governor, succeeds to, and is vested with, all the duties and responsibilities of the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation, formerly the Governor's Office of Planning and Research, related to the administration or implementation of the programs or offices set within the Office of Service and Community Engagement pursuant to Section 8402.

(b) All books, documents, and records, including, but not limited to, outreach campaign supplies and print materials, of the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation, formerly the Governor's Office of Planning and Research, pertaining to functions transferred to the Office of Service and Community Engagement under this chapter shall be transferred to the Governor's Office of Service and Community Engagement.

(c) Any action by or against the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation and any of its predecessors, including the Governor's Office of Planning and Research, pertaining to matters vested in the Governor's Office of Service and Community Engagement under this chapter, shall not abate but shall continue in the name of the Governor's Office of Service and Community Engagement and shall be transferred to the Governor's Office of Service and Community Engagement as soon as reasonably feasible.

(d) No contract, license, or other agreement to which the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation, formerly the Governor's Office of Planning and Research, is a party related to any of the programs or offices within the Governor's Office of Service and Community Engagement pursuant to Section 8402, shall be void or voidable by reason of this chapter, but shall continue in full force and effect under the terms of the contract, with the Governor's Office of Service and Community Engagement assuming all of the rights, obligations, liabilities, and duties of the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation under the contract, license, or other agreement.

(e) Notwithstanding subdivisions (a) to (d), inclusive, the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation, by contract or other agreement, may provide contracting, administrative, and other services to the Governor's Office of Service and Community Engagement and may receive funds on its behalf.

(f) All unexpended balances of appropriations and other funds available for use in connection with any function or the administration of any law transferred to the Governor's Office of Service and Community Engagement by this chapter shall be transferred to the Governor's Office of Service and Community Engagement for the use and for the purpose for which the appropriation was originally made or the funds were originally available. If there is any doubt as to where those balances and funds are transferred, the Department of Finance shall determine where the balances and funds are transferred. The Department of Finance shall make the final determination of the budgetary and accounting transactions and treatments to ensure the proper implementation of the transfer of duties, powers, and responsibilities from the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation, formerly the Governor's Office of Planning and Research, to the Governor's Office of Service and Community Engagement, as described in this chapter.

*(Added by Stats. 2024, Ch. 41, Sec. 30. (SB 164) Effective June 29, 2024.)*