

CSG Conflict of Interest Policy

It is the policy of The Council of State Governments (CSG) that all board members disclose any conflict of interest they are aware of to the board. For the purpose of this policy, a conflict of interest may exist when:

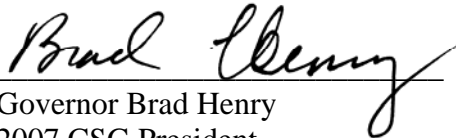
1. Any board member, family member of a board member, or entity that the board member or family of the board member has an interest in, stands to gain financially from the actions of the board member while acting in their capacity as a board member.
2. Any board member, family member of a board member, or entity that the board member or family of the board member has an interest in, uses information made available to them as a board member, or through that board member, that is proprietary, confidential or otherwise not generally known to the public, with the intent of financial gain.


It is the responsibility of the board member to bring to the immediate attention of the board any conflict of interest or appearance of conflict of interest. An appearance of a conflict of interest would be any action that a reasonable person could interpret as a potential conflict of interest.

If a board member is uncertain as to whether they may have a conflict of interest they should ask the board to render an opinion.

It will be the responsibility of the board member to recuse him or herself from any conflicting action or to disclose any potential conflict and to recuse from voting on that issue.

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CSG Annual State Trends and Leadership Forum
In Oklahoma City, Oklahoma


Governor Brad Henry
2007 CSG President


Representative Deborah Hudson
2007 CSG Chair