

**EXPENDITURE OF MUNICIPAL FUNDS TO INFLUENCE VOTE IS PROHIBITED**

The Board of Education, its members and any other employee in the position of expending municipal funds shall not expend such funds to influence any person to vote for approval or disapproval of any such vote, referendum, proposal or question. Notably, this policy does not apply to a written, printed or typed summary of a Board member's or administrator's official view on a proposal or question so long as it is prepared for any news medium, i.e., newspaper, radio, television, and/or is not distributed with public funds to a member of the public unless a member of the public specifically requests a summary in writing.

Any violation of the above policy may warrant a hearing before the State Elections Enforcement Commission and the possible imposition of civil penalties on the Board and/or the individual(s) who authorized the expenditure of municipal funds.

Legal Reference: Conn. Gen. Stat. § 9-369b.

Litchfield Board of Education  
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