



The Florida House of Representatives

Office of the Speaker

Richard Corcoran
Speaker

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VIA FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION & U.S. MAIL
(727) 524-4350

Ed Peachey, President & CEO
CareerSource Pinellas
2312 Gulf to Bay Boulevard
Clearwater, FL 33765

Re: House Committee Request for Records and Information

Dear Mr. Peachey:

Section 11.143, Florida Statutes, affords the Florida House of Representatives, through its committees, "the right and authority to inspect and investigate the books, records, papers, documents, data, operation and physical plant of any public agency in this state, including any confidential information." This letter is sent pursuant to this authority and for the purpose of investigating recent news accounts concerning CareerSource Pinellas' inclusion of inflated job placement numbers in its reports to the Department of Economic Opportunity in seeking state and federal funding.

I have asked the Public Integrity & Ethics Committee to investigate whether the allegations are true and if so, how the additional state funding received by CareerSource Pinellas was spent. On behalf of the Public Integrity & Ethics Committee, the House requests the following CareerSource Pinellas records:

1. All employment contracts in CareerSource Pinellas' possession regarding your employment since your date of hire
2. All records concerning pay increases and/or changes in benefits awarded to you since your date of hire
3. All records concerning pay increases and/or changes in benefits awarded to executive, managerial, and/or high-level employees under your supervision since your date of hire
4. All records reflecting job seekers' registration in the statewide employment database through CareerSource Pinellas from January 1, 2015 through the date of this letter

5. Records sufficient to reflect the number of people actually trained by CareerSource Pinellas from January 1, 2015 through the date of this letter
6. Records sufficient to document all placement assistance provided to job seekers by CareerSource Pinellas Bay from January 1, 2015 through the date of this letter
7. Records sufficient to accurately document the number of people actually placed with new employers by CareerSource Pinellas from January 1, 2015 through the date of this letter
8. All records supporting the job placement numbers reported to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity from January 1, 2015 through the date of this letter
9. Copies of annual audits filed with the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity from January 1, 2015 through the date of this letter
10. All records provided to the Department of Economic Opportunity in support of CareerSource Pinellas' requests for state and federal funding made from January 1, 2015 through the date of this letter
11. All written correspondence in Career Source Pinellas' possession to and from you (including all attachments) from January 1, 2015 through the date of this letter, including but not limited to emails regarding job placement and emails seeking information on new hires from local employers. The House reserves the right to seek additional emails from CareerSource Pinellas and directs your agency to preserve all emails for possible future requests.

We are seeking un-redacted copies of these documents. Pursuant to Fla. Stat. § 11.0431(2)(a) (2017) any records deemed confidential or exempt from public disclosure in your agency's possession would maintain that confidentiality or exemption from public disclosure when held by the House.

The requested records should be delivered to:

Honorable Larry Metz, Chair
House of Representatives
Public Integrity & Ethics Committee
402 South Monroe Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1300

Should you have any questions or otherwise need to discuss this request, please contact Staff Director Don Rubottom at (850) 717-4881.

We would appreciate receiving these records at your earliest convenience, but no later than February 6, 2018.

Respectfully,



Richard Corcoran, Speaker

cc: Mr. Aundre A. Green, Chair, CareerSource Pinellas Board of Directors
Commissioner Patricia Gerard, Vice Chairperson, CareerSource Pinellas Board of Directors