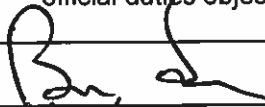


**DISCLOSURE OF APPEARANCE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST
AS REQUIRED BY G. L. c. 268A, § 23(b)(3)**

	PUBLIC EMPLOYEE INFORMATION
Name of public employee:	Bruce E. Tarr
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	<p>In my capacity as a state, county or municipal employee, I am expected to take certain actions in the performance of my official duties. Under the circumstances, a reasonable person could conclude that a person or organization could unduly enjoy my favor or improperly influence me when I perform my official duties, or that I am likely to act or fail to act as a result of kinship, rank, position or undue influence of a party or person.</p> <p>I am filing this disclosure to disclose the facts about this relationship or affiliation and to dispel the appearance of a conflict of interest.</p>
	APPEARANCE OF FAVORITISM OR INFLUENCE
Describe the issue that is coming before you for action or decision.	General legislation, <i>H.4915, An Act Relative to the Use of Elephants, Big Cats, Primates, Giraffes and Bears in Traveling Exhibits and Shows</i> , is before the Senate for consideration.
What responsibility do you have for taking action or making a decision?	As a member of the Senate, I may review, consider, publicly comment on, vote on, and take other actions on general legislation affecting the use of animals in traveling exhibits and shows.
Explain your relationship or affiliation to the person or organization.	I am a member of the board of the Big E, a fair in which attendees can enjoy entertainment and attractions, including, but not limited to, a traveling animal exhibition featuring elephants.
How do your official actions or decision matter to the person or organization?	My official actions or decisions could affect exhibits and shows using elephants, big cats, primates, giraffes, and bears, like the Big E.

Optional: Additional facts – e.g., why there is a low risk of undue favoritism or improper influence.	There currently is not an issue before me that would be a conflict of interest. I am filing this disclosure out of an abundance of caution to dispel any appearance of a conflict.
If you cannot confirm this statement, you should recuse yourself.	WRITE AN X TO CONFIRM THE STATEMENT BELOW. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Taking into account the facts that I have disclosed above, I feel that I can perform my official duties objectively and fairly.
Employee signature:	
Date:	7/31/24

Attach additional pages if necessary.

Not elected to your public position – file with your appointing authority.

Elected state or county employees – file with the State Ethics Commission.

Members of the General Court – file with the House or Senate clerk or the State Ethics Commission.

Elected municipal employee – file with the City Clerk or Town Clerk.

Elected regional school committee member – file with the clerk or secretary of the committee.