§ 4-a. Chief diversity officer. A chief diversity officer for the state shall be appointed by the governor and shall receive a salary to be fixed by the governor within the amount appropriated therefor. The chief diversity officer's responsibilities shall include the following:

1. Advise and assist the governor in formulating policies relating to workforce diversity and minority and women's business enterprises;

2. Work with the director of the division of minority and women's business development to prepare an annual plan for ensuring full compliance with article fifteen-a of the executive law by state agencies and the use of diversity practices by such agencies;

3. Advise the governor and the agencies regarding any measures necessary to ensure full compliance with article fifteen-a of this chapter and use of diversity practices by state public authorities;

4. Serve as a member of the state procurement council established under section one hundred sixty-one of the state finance law;

5. Serve as the governor's liaison with organizations representing minority and women-owned business enterprises and other organizations related to diversity in the state workforce and in state contracting;

6. Serve as the governor's liaison to the small business advisory council for issues related to the creation of a diverse workforce and state procurement practices relating to minority and women-owned business enterprises;

7. Review and consult with the director of minority and women's business development regarding policies relating to minority and women-owned business enterprise contract specialists at state agencies; and

8. Engage in other actions assigned to him or her by the governor relating to diversity in hiring or promotion of the state workforce and in encouraging diversity practices and compliance with article fifteen-a

of this chapter in procurement.