May 17, 2000

S 1290. ELECTION BOARD CONDUCT. *TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN POLITICAL ACTIVITIES BY BOARD OF ELECTION MEMBERS.* Adds new Article 4A to GS Ch. 163, regulating political conduct by members of state, county, and municipal boards of elections. Prohibits board members from making public statements supporting or opposing nomination or election of clearly identified candidates for public office; making public statements supporting or opposing passage of clearly identified referendum proposals; or soliciting contributions for candidate, political committee, or referendum committee. Prohibits persons acting as alter ego for board member from doing act prohibited of board member. Permits removal of board member for violation of act. Effective Jan. 1, 2001.

Intro. by Clodfelter and Gulley.

Held Rule 43

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June 27, 2000

S 1290. ELECTION BOARD CONDUCT. Intro. 5/17/00. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Redefines prohibited statements from "public statements" to "statements intended for general distribution or dissemination." Deletes provision prohibiting person acting as alter ego of election board member from engaging in conduct prohibited to board member. Makes clear that violation is not a criminal offense.

June 30, 2000

S 1290. ELECTION BD. CONDUCT. Intro. 5/31/00. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Adds limitation on oral statements (was, just written statements) to coverage of act.