

March 27, 2007

H 1110. STATE GOVERNMENT ETHICS ACT TECHNICAL CHANGES (=S 1135). Filed 3/27/07. *TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES TO THE STATE GOVERNMENT ETHICS ACT.*

Identical to S 1135, filed 3/20/07.

Intro. by Howard, Ross.

GS 120, 138A

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H 1110. STATE GOVERNMENT ETHICS ACT TECHNICAL CHANGES. Filed 3/27/07. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Changes the title to *AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES TO THE STATE GOVERNMENT ETHICS ACT AND THE LEGISLATIVE ETHICS ACT BY CHANGING IMMEDIATE HOUSEHOLD TO IMMEDIATE FAMILY IN THE STATUTE DEALING WITH DISCLOSURE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION, DELETING AND RECODIFYING THE SECTION REQUIRING PRIVATE AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES TO BE LISTED ON A STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTEREST FORM, REMOVING JUDICIAL OFFICERS FROM A GIFT BAN EXCEPTION AND MAKING A TECHNICAL CHANGE TO THE GIFT BAN EXCEPTION DEALING WITH EDUCATIONAL MEETINGS FOR PUBLIC SERVANTS, AND ADDING THE TERM "LEGISLATIVE EMPLOYEE" IN THE SECTION DEALING WITH EMPLOYMENT AND SUPERVISION OF MEMBERS OF A LEGISLATIVE EMPLOYEE'S EXTENDED FAMILY, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON ETHICS.*

July 30, 2007

H 1110. STATE GOVERNMENT ETHICS ACT TECHNICAL CHANGES. Filed 3/27/07. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Changes the title to *AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES TO THE STATE GOVERNMENT ETHICS ACT, THE LEGISLATIVE ETHICS ACT, AND THE LOBBYING LAW.* Deletes all provisions except the proposed amendments to GS 120-87 and GS 138A-40. Makes technical and clarifying changes to various statutes in GS Chapter 138A (the State Government Ethics Act), Article 14 of GS Chapter 120 (the Legislative Ethics Act), and GS Chapter 120C (lobbying). Also makes the following changes. Recodifies GS 120C-302 (campaign contributions prohibition) from the lobbying law into Article 22A of GS Chapter 163 (regulating contributions and expenditures in political campaigns) and adds a definition of the term *lobbyist*. Effective October 1, 2007, amends GS 120C-500 (*liaison personnel*) to (1) add community colleges, (2) exempt agencies and boards with no staff, and (3) provide that outside counsel may be designated as *liaison personnel*. Makes a conforming change to the definition of *liaison personnel* in GS 120C-100.

Amends the definition of *nonprofit corporation or organization with which associated* in GS 138A-3 to clarify that it does not include a NC state or local government entity. Amends GS 138A-14 to require legislative employees to attend refresher ethics education every two years. Amends GS 138A-23 (statements of economic interest as public records) to provide for when statements of certain public servants become public and to whom they may be provided before they become public. Amends GS 138A-36 and 138A-37 (conflicts of interest) to include nonprofits with which associated and to specify that a benefit also includes a detriment. Enacts new GS 138A-38(b) to specify that the exceptions to the conflict of interest laws do not permit actions prohibited by the criminal law. Modifies proposed amendments to GS 138A-40 (anti-nepotism) to extend its provisions to legislative employees. Adds lobbying education programs to the one-time deadline extension in SL 2006-201 for public servants in office as of January 1, 2007.

August 10, 2007

SL 2007-347 (H 1110). STATE GOVERNMENT ETHICS ACT TECHNICAL CHANGES. *AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES TO THE STATE GOVERNMENT ETHICS ACT, THE LEGISLATIVE ETHICS ACT, AND THE LOBBYING LAW.* Summarized in *Daily Bulletin* 3/27/07, 5/17/07, and 7/30/07. Enacted August 9, 2007. Section 6 is effective October 1, 2007. The remainder is effective August 9, 2007.