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## **HOUSE BILL NO. 1149**

## 94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES HUNTER (Sponsor) AND CUNNINGHAM (86) (Co-sponsor).

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## **AN ACT**

To repeal section 105.456, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to prohibited acts by members of the general assembly.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 105.456, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 105.456, to read as follows:

105.456. 1. No member of the general assembly or the governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general, secretary of state, state treasurer or state auditor shall:

- (1) Perform any service for the state or any political subdivision of the state or any agency of the state or any political subdivision thereof or act in his or her official capacity or perform duties associated with his or her position for any person for any consideration other than the compensation provided for the performance of his or her official duties; or
- (2) Sell, rent or lease any property to the state or political subdivision thereof or any agency of the state or any political subdivision thereof for consideration in excess of five hundred dollars per transaction or one thousand five hundred dollars per annum unless the transaction is made pursuant to an award on a contract let or sale made after public notice and in the case of property other than real property, competitive bidding, provided that the bid or offer accepted is the lowest received; [or]
- (3) Attempt, for compensation other than the compensation provided for the performance
  of his or her official duties, to influence the decision of any agency of the state on any matter,
  except that this provision shall not be construed to prohibit such person from participating for

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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compensation in any adversary proceeding or in the preparation or filing of any public document or conference thereon. The exception for a conference upon a public document shall not permit any member of the general assembly or the governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general, secretary of state, state treasurer or state auditor to receive any consideration for the purpose of attempting to influence the decision of any agency of the state on behalf of any person with regard to any application, bid or request for a state grant, loan, appropriation, contract, award, permit other than matters involving a driver's license, or job before any state agency, commission, or elected official. Notwithstanding Missouri supreme court rule 1.10 of rule 4 or any other court rule or law to the contrary, other members of a firm, professional corporation or partnership shall not be prohibited pursuant to this subdivision from representing a person or other entity solely because a member of the firm, professional corporation or partnership serves in the general assembly, provided that such official does not share directly in the compensation earned, so far as the same may reasonably be accounted, for such activity by the firm or by any other member of the firm. This subdivision shall not be construed to prohibit any inquiry for information or the representation of a person without consideration before a state agency or in a matter involving the state if no consideration is given, charged or promised in consequence thereof; or

- (4) Be under contract to or be an employee of a firm or labor organization whose employment includes influencing the decisions of the general assembly, any state agency, or any political subdivision.
- 2. No sole proprietorship, partnership, joint venture, or corporation in which a member of the general assembly, governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general, secretary of state, state treasurer, state auditor or spouse of such official, is the sole proprietor, a partner having more than a ten percent partnership interest, or a coparticipant or owner of in excess of ten percent of the outstanding shares of any class of stock, shall:
- (1) Perform any service for the state or any political subdivision thereof or any agency of the state or political subdivision for any consideration in excess of five hundred dollars per transaction or one thousand five hundred dollars per annum unless the transaction is made pursuant to an award on a contract let or sale made after public notice and competitive bidding, provided that the bid or offer accepted is the lowest received; or
- (2) Sell, rent, or lease any property to the state or any political subdivision thereof or any agency of the state or political subdivision thereof for consideration in excess of five hundred dollars per transaction or one thousand five hundred dollars per annum unless the transaction is made pursuant to an award on a contract let or a sale made after public notice and in the case of property other than real property, competitive bidding, provided that the bid or offer accepted is the lowest and best received.

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3. (1) No member of the general assembly shall vote on any bill that is related to the member's profession or that would result in any monetary or personal gain for the member or would result in any member gaining an advantage in the workplace or market over a similarly employed person.

- (2) No later than the third legislative day of each regular session, each member of the general assembly shall provide the clerk of the member's legislative chamber a financial interest statement listing the member's profession and principal source or sources of income. No member shall knowingly misrepresent or omit any facts required to be contained in the financial interest statement required by this subsection.
- (3) Any violation of this subsection shall be investigated by the committee on ethics of the member's legislative chamber, and such committee shall determine whether the member has violated this subsection. The committee on ethics of both legislative chambers shall jointly establish procedures for determining compliance with and violations of this subsection, and shall establish procedures to allow members to appeal the decisions of the committees rendered under this subsection. Any violation of this subsection shall be subject to the same provisions establishing penalties for conflicts of interest under this chapter and for knowingly misrepresenting or omitting facts under section 105.492.