

HB 1149 -- Members of the General Assembly

Sponsor: Hunter

This bill prohibits members of the General Assembly from being employed by or under contract to any organization engaged in lobbying. The penalty for violating this provision will be a class B misdemeanor for the first offense and a class D felony for a second or subsequent offense.

Any member of the General Assembly is also prohibited from voting on any bill related to the member's profession. Members are required to provide information on their profession and sources of income to the clerk of their legislative chamber. The ethics committees of the House of Representatives and Senate are authorized to enforce this provision and establish rules regarding the investigation of complaints and appeals. Violations will be a class B misdemeanor for the first offense and a class D felony for a second or subsequent offense. Violations for conflicts of interest or knowingly misrepresenting or omitting facts will be a class B misdemeanor.