SECOND REGULAR SESSION SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

HOUSE BILL NO. 1979

98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Reported from the Committee on Rules, Joint Rules, Resolutions and Ethics, January 28, 2016, with recommendation that the Senate Committee Substitute do pass.

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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

AN ACT

To repeal section 105.456, as enacted by house bill no. 1120, eighty-ninth general assembly, second regular session, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating solely to certain public officials becoming lobbyists.

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

Section A. Section 105.456, as enacted by house bill no. 1120, eighty-ninth 2 general assembly, second regular session, is repealed and two new sections 3 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 105.456 and 105.481, to read as 4 follows:

105.456. 1. No member of the general assembly or the governor, 2 lieutenant governor, attorney general, secretary of state, state treasurer or state 3 auditor shall:

4 (1) Perform any service for the state or any political subdivision of the 5 state or any agency of the state or any political subdivision thereof or act in his 6 or her official capacity or perform duties associated with his or her position for 7 any person for any consideration other than the compensation provided for the 8 performance of his or her official duties; [or]

9 (2) Sell, rent or lease any property to the state or political subdivision 10 thereof or any agency of the state or any political subdivision thereof for 11 consideration in excess of five hundred dollars per transaction or one thousand 12 five hundred dollars per annum unless the transaction is made pursuant to an 13 award on a contract let or sale made after public notice and in the case of 14 property other than real property, competitive bidding, provided that the bid or 15 offer accepted is the lowest received; [or] **SCS HB 1979**

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(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 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

22not permit any member of the general assembly or the governor, lieutenant 23governor, attorney general, secretary of state, state treasurer or state auditor to receive any consideration for the purpose of attempting to influence the decision 2425of any agency of the state on behalf of any person with regard to any application, 26bid or request for a state grant, loan, appropriation, contract, award, permit other 27than matters involving a driver's license, or job before any state agency, 28commission, or elected official. Notwithstanding Missouri supreme court rule 291.10 of rule 4 or any other court rule or law to the contrary, other members of a 30 firm, professional corporation or partnership shall not be prohibited pursuant to this subdivision from representing a person or other entity solely because a 31 32member of the firm, professional corporation or partnership serves in the general assembly, provided that such official does not share directly in the compensation 33earned, so far as the same may reasonably be accounted, for such activity by the 34firm or by any other member of the firm. This subdivision shall not be construed 35to prohibit any inquiry for information or the representation of a person without 36 consideration before a state agency or in a matter involving the state if no 3738consideration is given, charged or promised in consequence thereof; or

39 (4) Solicit any registered lobbyist for any position with a hiring
40 date beginning after such person is no longer an elected official,
41 whether compensated or not, while such person holds office.

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

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52 sale made after public notice and competitive bidding, provided that the bid or 53 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.

105.481. 1. No person elected after January 1, 2016, to the state 2 senate, the state house of representatives, or to the office of governor, 3 lieutenant governor, attorney general, secretary of state, or state 4 treasurer who vacates the office, whether by resignation, expulsion, 5 term limitation under article III, section 8 of the Constitution of 6 Missouri, or otherwise, shall act, serve, or register as a lobbyist as 7 defined in section 105.470 until one year after the expiration of any 8 term of office for which such person was elected.

9 2. No person holding an office that required appointment by the 10 governor and confirmation by the senate who vacates the office, 11 whether by resignation, expulsion, or otherwise, shall act, serve, or 12 register as a lobbyist as defined in section 105.470 until one year after 13 the vacation of such office.

3. No person elected after January 1, 2018, to the office of state auditor who vacates the office, whether by resignation, expulsion, or otherwise, shall act, serve, or register as a lobbyist as defined in section 105.470 until one year after the expiration of any term of office for which such person was elected.

19 4. For purposes of this section, the prohibition contained herein 20 shall only apply to lobbyists employed by a lobbyist principal for pay 21 or other compensation in excess of reimbursement for expenses 22 incurred.

5. The provisions of this section shall not apply to persons who act, serve, or register as a lobbyist for a state department or agency.

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