101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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HB4646

Introduced 2/5/2020, by Rep. Darren Bailey

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

5 ILCS 430/5-45

Amends the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act. Provides that any member of the General Assembly who takes office on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act shall not, within a 2-year period immediately following termination of the member's most recent term of office, register as a lobbyist and engage in lobbying with members of the General Assembly. Effective immediately.

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AN ACT concerning government.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The State Officials and Employees Ethics Act is
amended by changing Section 5-45 as follows:

6 (5 ILCS 430/5-45)

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Sec. 5-45. Procurement; revolving door prohibition.

8 (a) No former officer, member, or State employee, or spouse 9 or immediate family member living with such person, shall, within a period of one year immediately after termination of 10 State employment, knowingly accept employment or receive 11 compensation or fees for services from a person or entity if 12 the officer, member, or State employee, during the year 13 14 immediately preceding termination of State employment, participated personally and substantially in the award of State 15 contracts, or the issuance of State contract change orders, 16 with a cumulative value of \$25,000 or more to the person or 17 entity, or its parent or subsidiary. 18

19 (a-5) No officer, member, or spouse or immediate family 20 member living with such person shall, during the officer or 21 member's term in office or within a period of 2 years 22 immediately leaving office, hold an ownership interest, other 23 than a passive interest in a publicly traded company, in any

gaming license under the Illinois Gambling Act, the Video 1 2 Gaming Act, the Illinois Horse Racing Act of 1975, or the Sports Wagering Act. Any member of the General Assembly or 3 spouse or immediate family member living with such person who 4 5 has an ownership interest, other than a passive interest in a publicly traded company, in any gaming license under the 6 7 Illinois Gambling Act, the Illinois Horse Racing Act of 1975, 8 the Video Gaming Act, or the Sports Wagering Act at the time of 9 the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 101st General 10 Assembly shall divest himself or herself of such ownership 11 within one year after the effective date of this amendatory Act 12 of the 101st General Assembly. No State employee who works for 13 the Illinois Gaming Board or Illinois Racing Board or spouse or 14 immediate family member living with such person shall, during 15 State employment or within a period of 2 years immediately 16 after termination of State employment, hold an ownership 17 interest, other than a passive interest in a publicly traded company, in any gaming license under the Illinois Gambling Act, 18 19 the Video Gaming Act, the Illinois Horse Racing Act of 1975, or 20 the Sports Wagering Act.

(b) No former officer of the executive branch or State employee of the executive branch with regulatory or licensing authority, or spouse or immediate family member living with such person, shall, within a period of one year immediately after termination of State employment, knowingly accept employment or receive compensation or fees for services from a

person or entity if the officer or State employee, during the year immediately preceding termination of State employment, participated personally and substantially in making a regulatory or licensing decision that directly applied to the person or entity, or its parent or subsidiary.

(c) Within 6 months after the effective date of this 6 7 amendatory Act of the 96th General Assembly, each executive 8 branch constitutional officer and legislative leader, the 9 Auditor General, and the Joint Committee on Legislative Support 10 Services shall adopt a policy delineating which State positions 11 under his or her jurisdiction and control, by the nature of 12 their duties, may have the authority to participate personally 13 and substantially in the award of State contracts or in regulatory or licensing decisions. The Governor shall adopt 14 15 such a policy for all State employees of the executive branch 16 not under the jurisdiction and control of any other executive 17 branch constitutional officer.

18 The policies required under subsection (c) of this Section 19 shall be filed with the appropriate ethics commission 20 established under this Act or, for the Auditor General, with 21 the Office of the Auditor General.

(d) Each Inspector General shall have the authority to determine that additional State positions under his or her jurisdiction, not otherwise subject to the policies required by subsection (c) of this Section, are nonetheless subject to the notification requirement of subsection (f) below due to their

involvement in the award of State contracts or in regulatory or
 licensing decisions.

(e) The Joint Committee on Legislative Support Services, 3 the Auditor General, and each of the executive branch 4 5 constitutional officers and legislative leaders subject to Section 6 subsection (C) of this shall provide written notification to all employees in positions subject to the 7 8 policies required by subsection (c) or a determination made 9 under subsection (d): (1) upon hiring, promotion, or transfer 10 into the relevant position; and (2) at the time the employee's 11 duties are changed in such a way as to qualify that employee. 12 An employee receiving notification must certify in writing that 13 the person was advised of the prohibition and the requirement 14 to notify the appropriate Inspector General in subsection (f).

15 (f) Any State employee in a position subject to the policies required by subsection (c) or to a determination under 16 17 subsection (d), but who does not fall within the prohibition of subsection (h) below, who is offered non-State employment 18 19 during State employment or within a period of one year 20 immediately after termination of State employment shall, prior 21 to accepting such non-State employment, notify the appropriate 22 Inspector General. Within 10 calendar days after receiving 23 notification from an employee in a position subject to the policies required by subsection (c), such Inspector General 24 25 shall make a determination as to whether the State employee is 26 restricted from accepting such employment by subsection (a) or

(b). In making a determination, in addition to any other 1 2 relevant information, an Inspector General shall assess the 3 effect of the prospective employment or relationship upon decisions referred to in subsections (a) and (b), based on the 4 5 totality of the participation by the former officer, member, or State employee in those decisions. A determination by an 6 Inspector General must be in writing, signed and dated by the 7 8 Inspector General, and delivered to the subject of the 9 determination within 10 calendar days or the person is deemed 10 eligible for the employment opportunity. For purposes of this 11 subsection, "appropriate Inspector General" means (i) for 12 members employees of the legislative branch, and the 13 Legislative Inspector General; (ii) for the Auditor General and employees of the Office of the Auditor General, the Inspector 14 General provided for in Section 30-5 of this Act; and (iii) for 15 16 executive branch officers and employees, the Inspector General 17 having jurisdiction over the officer or employee. Notice of any determination of an Inspector General and of any such appeal 18 shall be given to the ultimate jurisdictional authority, the 19 20 Attorney General, and the Executive Ethics Commission.

(g) An Inspector General's determination regarding restrictions under subsection (a) or (b) may be appealed to the appropriate Ethics Commission by the person subject to the decision or the Attorney General no later than the 10th calendar day after the date of the determination.

26 On appeal, the Ethics Commission or Auditor General shall

seek, accept, and consider written public comments regarding a 1 2 determination. In deciding whether to uphold an Inspector 3 General's determination, the appropriate Ethics Commission or Auditor General shall assess, in addition to any other relevant 4 5 information, the effect of the prospective employment or relationship upon the decisions referred to in subsections (a) 6 and (b), based on the totality of the participation by the 7 8 former officer, member, or State employee in those decisions. 9 The Ethics Commission shall decide whether to uphold an 10 Inspector General's determination within 10 calendar days or 11 the person is deemed eligible for the employment opportunity.

12 (h) The following officers, members, or State employees 13 shall not, within a period of one year immediately after 14 termination of office or State employment, knowingly accept 15 employment or receive compensation or fees for services from a 16 person or entity if the person or entity or its parent or 17 subsidiary, during the year immediately preceding termination of State employment, was a party to a State contract or 18 contracts with a cumulative value of \$25,000 or more involving 19 20 the officer, member, or State employee's State agency, or was the subject of a regulatory or licensing decision involving the 21 22 officer, member, or State employee's State agency, regardless 23 of whether he or she participated personally and substantially in the award of the State contract or contracts or the making 24 25 of the regulatory or licensing decision in question:

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(1) members or officers;

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(2) members of a commission or board created by the
 Illinois Constitution;

3 (3) persons whose appointment to office is subject to
4 the advice and consent of the Senate;

5 (4) the head of a department, commission, board, 6 division, bureau, authority, or other administrative unit 7 within the government of this State;

8 (5) chief procurement officers, State purchasing 9 officers, and their designees whose duties are directly 10 related to State procurement;

11 (6) chiefs of staff, deputy chiefs of staff, associate 12 chiefs of staff, assistant chiefs of staff, and deputy 13 governors;

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(8) employees of the Illinois Gaming Board.

(7) employees of the Illinois Racing Board; and

16 (h-5) Any member who takes office on or after the effective 17 date of this amendatory Act of the 101st General Assembly shall 18 not, within a 2-year period immediately following termination 19 of the member's most recent term of office, register as a 20 lobbyist, as provided under Section 3 of the Lobbyist 21 Registration Act, and engage in lobbying with members of the 22 General Assembly.

(i) For the purposes of this Section, with respect to
officers or employees of a regional transit board, as defined
in this Act, the phrase "person or entity" does not include:
(i) the United States government, (ii) the State, (iii)

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1 municipalities, as defined under Article VII, Section 1 of the
2 Illinois Constitution, (iv) units of local government, as
3 defined under Article VII, Section 1 of the Illinois
4 Constitution, or (v) school districts.
5 (Source: P.A. 101-31, eff. 6-28-19.)

6 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 7 becoming law.