101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Introduced 2/18/2020, by Rep. Delia C. Ramirez

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

5 ILCS 420/1-109	from Ch. 127, par. 601-109
5 ILCS 420/1-110.5 new	
5 ILCS 420/2-101	from Ch. 127, par. 602-101

Amends the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act. Defines "lobbying" under the Act to include promoting or opposing in any manner the passage by a unit of local government of any local legislative matter affecting the interests of any individual, association, or corporation as distinct from those of the people a unit of local government. Defines "local legislative matter".

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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 Illinois Governmental Ethics Act is amended
by changing Sections 1-109 and 2-101 and by adding Section
1-110.5 as follows:

7 (5 ILCS 420/1-109) (from Ch. 127, par. 601-109)

8 Sec. 1-109. "Lobbying" means promoting or opposing in any 9 manner the passage by the General Assembly of any legislative 10 matter <u>or the passage by a unit of local government of any</u> 11 <u>local legislative matter</u> affecting the interests of any 12 individual, association or corporation as distinct from those 13 of the people of the State <u>or a unit of local government</u> as a 14 whole.

15 (Source: Laws 1967, p. 3401.)

16 (5 ILCS 420/1-110.5 new)

Sec. 1-110.5. "Local legislative matter" means any bill, resolution, nomination, ordinance, or other issue or proposal pending before the unit of local government, its legislative body, or any committee, subcommittee, or commission thereof.

21 (5 ILCS 420/2-101) (from Ch. 127, par. 602-101)

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Sec. 2-101. No legislator <u>or his or her spouse</u> may engage in lobbying, as that term is defined in Section 1-109, if he <u>or</u> <u>she</u> accepts compensation specifically attributable to such lobbying, other than that provided by law for members of the General Assembly. Nothing in this Section prohibits a legislator <u>or his or her spouse</u> from lobbying without compensation.

8 A violation of this Section shall constitute a Class A 9 misdemeanor.

10 (Source: P.A. 77-2830.)