SB2299

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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SB2299

Introduced 11/12/2019, by Sen. Julie A. Morrison

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

5 ILCS 420/3-203   from Ch. 127, par. 603-203

  Amends the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act. Provides that when a legislator chooses to take official action on a matter despite the existence of a conflict situation, he or she shall (in addition to serving the public interest) also disclose that he or she is taking official action by either: (i) filing a statement with the Clerk of the House of Representatives or the Secretary of the Senate stating that he or she has a conflict regarding the specified legislative matter and that he or she is voting in the public interest; or (ii) stating on the record, during debate on the legislative matter, that he or she has a conflict regarding the legislative matter in question and that he or she is voting in the public interest.

A BILL FOR

1   AN ACT concerning government.

2   **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**

3   **represented in the General Assembly:**

4   Section 5. The Illinois Governmental Ethics Act is amended

5   by changing Section 3-203 as follows:

6   (5 ILCS 420/3-203) (from Ch. 127, par. 603-203)

7   Sec. 3-203. When, despite the existence of a conflict

8   situation, a legislator chooses to take official action on a

9   matter, he or she should serve the public interest, and not the

10 interest of any person. The legislator shall also disclose that

11 he or she is taking official action by either: (i) filing a

12 statement with the Clerk of the House of Representatives or the

13 Secretary of the Senate, as applicable, stating that he or she

14 has a conflict regarding the specified legislative matter and

15 that he or she is voting in the public interest; or (ii)

16 stating on the record, during debate on the legislative matter,

17 that he or she has a conflict regarding the legislative matter

18 in question and that he or she is voting in the public

19 interest.

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