102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2021 and 2022

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Introduced 8/26/2021, 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 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. Provides that the statement filed with the Clerk of the House of Representatives or the Secretary of the Senate shall be made a part of the official record of the legislation and posted on the Illinois General Assembly website with other documents related to the legislative matter at issue. Effective immediately.

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AN ACT concerning government.

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

Section 5. The Illinois Governmental Ethics Act is amended
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 interest of any person. The legislator shall also disclose 10 that he or she is taking official action by filing a statement 11 12 with the Clerk of the House of Representatives or the Secretary of the Senate, as applicable, stating that he or she 13 14 has a conflict regarding the specified legislative matter and that he or she is voting in the public interest. Any statement 15 16 filed with the Clerk of the House of Representatives or the 17 Secretary of the Senate under this Section shall be made a part of the official record of the legislation and posted on the 18 19 Illinois General Assembly website with other documents related 20 to the legislative matter at issue.

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

22 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon

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1 becoming law.