

Regular Session, 2012

SENATE BILL NO. 132

BY SENATOR LAFLEUR

LEGISLATORS. Prohibits former legislators, for a period of two years following the end of public service as a legislator, from being employed or appointed by the state. (gov sig)

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 42:1121.2, relative to the code of governmental ethics; to prohibit former
3 legislators, for a period of two years, from being employed or appointed by the state
4 or its agencies; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 42:1121.2 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 **§1121.2. State employment or appointment after termination of public service**
8 **as legislator**

9 **No former legislator shall, for a period of two years following the**
10 **termination of his public service as a legislator, be employed by, or appointed**
11 **to, any agency, department, board, commission, or other entity within the**
12 **executive, legislative, or judicial branch of state government.**

13 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
14 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
15 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
16 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
17 effective on the day following such approval.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Lauren Bailey.

DIGEST

Present law, relative to the code of governmental ethics, provides that no elected official shall, for a period of two years following the termination of his public service as an elected public official, assist another person, for compensation, in a transaction, or in an appearance in connection with a transaction, involving that agency or render any service on a contractual basis to or for such agency.

Proposed law retains present law.

Proposed law further provides that no former legislator may, for a period of two years following the termination of his public service, be employed by, or appointed to, any agency, department, board, commission, or other entity within the executive, legislative, or judicial branch of state government.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 42:1121.2)