
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2165 Session of
2014

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, APRIL 9, 2014

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 65 (Public Officers) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, in ethics standards and financial
3 disclosure, adding the definition of "cash," further
4 providing for restricted activities and providing for
5 penalties.

6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
7 hereby enacts as follows:

8 Section 1. Section 1102 of Title 65 of the Pennsylvania
9 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a definition to read:

10 § 1102. Definitions.

11 The following words and phrases when used in this chapter
12 shall have, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, the
13 meanings given to them in this section:

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2 "Cash." United States currency and coin and foreign currency
3 and coin.

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5 Section 2. Section 1103 of Title 65 is amended by adding a
6 subsection to read:

7 § 1103. Restricted activities.

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9 (c.1) Accepting a gift of cash.--No public official, public
10 employee or nominee or candidate for public office shall solicit
11 or accept any gift of cash. This subsection shall not apply to
12 any gift or gifts received from a spouse, parent, parent by
13 marriage, sibling, child, grandchild, other family member or
14 friend when the circumstances make it clear that the motivation
15 for the action was a personal or family relationship. For the
16 purposes of this subsection, the term "friend" shall not include
17 a registered lobbyist or an employee of a registered lobbyist.

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19 Section 3. Section 1109(a) of Title 65 is amended to read:
20 § 1109. Penalties.

21 (a) Restricted activities violation.--Any person who
22 violates the provisions of section 1103(a), (b) [and (c)], (c)
23 and (c.1) (relating to restricted activities) commits a felony
24 and shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to pay a fine of not
25 more than \$10,000 or to imprisonment for not more than five
26 years, or both.

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28 Section 4. This act shall take effect immediately.