

**Government Administration and Elections Committee
JOINT FAVORABLE REPORT**

Bill No.: HB-7327

Title: AN ACT CONCERNING REVISIONS TO THE STATE CODES OF ETHICS.

Vote Date: 3/20/2019

Vote Action: Joint Favorable Substitute

PH Date: 3/13/2019

File No.: 500

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SPONSORS OF BILL:

Government Administration and Elections Committee

REASONS FOR BILL:

To make a series of revisions to the State Codes of Ethics, including spelling out the authority of the ethics enforcement officer and what qualifications that officer needs in order to serve, and adds quasi-public agencies to fall under the code. This bill also revises gift prohibitions and the reporting of gifts. In addition, this bill also removes the masculine only "he" and replaces it with "he or she" or "such person" where needed.

Substitute language LCO No. 6410: makes changes in sections 10 and 12 from "he or she" to "[he] such official or employee" and in section 9(d) changed "provision" to "subsection".

RESPONSE FROM ADMINISTRATION/AGENCY:

Carol Carson, Executive Director, Office of State Ethics: laid out in her testimony what the bill does to various sections of the State Code of Ethics, and gave the bill her support.

NATURE AND SOURCES OF SUPPORT:

None expressed.

NATURE AND SOURCES OF OPPOSITION:

None expressed.

Reported by: Melissa Russell
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Date: 4/12/2019

