

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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A Bill

SENATE BILL 410

By: Senator B. King

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES; TO REQUIRE DISCLOSURE OF EMPLOYMENT FOR FORMER STATE EMPLOYEES AND FORMER ELECTED OFFICIALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES; AND TO REQUIRE DISCLOSURE OF EMPLOYMENT FOR FORMER STATE EMPLOYEES AND FORMER ELECTED OFFICIALS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 21, Chapter 8, Subchapter 1, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

21-8-105. Disclosure by former state employees and former elected officials – Definitions.

(a) As used in this section:

(1) "Former elected official" includes without limitation a person previously elected to the following offices:

- (A) Governor;
- (B) Lieutenant Governor;
- (C) Secretary of State;
- (D) Attorney General;
- (E) Treasurer of State;
- (F) Auditor of State;



(G) Commissioner of State Lands; or

(H) Member of the General Assembly;

(2) "Former state employee" means a person who was previously regularly appointed or employed in a position of state service by a state agency, for which he or she was compensated on a full-time or part-time basis; and

(3) "State agency" means every department, division, office, board, commission, and institution of this state, including state-supported institutions of higher education.

(b)(1) For a period of four (4) years from the end of his or her employment or his or her term of elected office, a former state employee or former elected official shall disclose the following activities to the Arkansas Ethics Commission:

(A) Knowingly entering into employment with an individual, business, or other entity that was awarded a contract by his or her state agency or elected office during his or her employment or his or her term of elected office; or

(B) Knowingly selling a good or commodity to an individual, business, or other entity that was awarded a contract by his or her state agency or elected office during his or her employment or his or her term of elected office.

(2) The disclosure under subdivision (b)(1) of this section shall be filed within thirty (30) days of the employment or sale.

(3) Once the initial disclosure is filed under subdivision (b)(2) of this section, the former state employee or former elected official shall file a disclosure quarterly until he or she:

(A) Is no longer knowingly employed with an individual, business, or other entity that was awarded a contract by his or her state agency or elected office during his or her employment or his or her term of elected office;

(B) Is no longer knowingly selling a good or commodity to an individual, business, or other entity that was awarded a contract by his or her state agency or elected office during his or her employment or his or her term of elected office; or

(C) Has been a former state employee or former elected official for a period of more than four (4) years from the end of his or her

employment or his or her term of elected office.

(c) The commission shall promulgate rules to implement this section, including without limitation a rule creating the form for the disclosure required under subsection (b) of this section.

(d) This section expires on June 30, 2029, unless extended by the General Assembly.

/s/B. King