1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to state officer post-service lobbying 3 prohibitions; amending s. 112.312, F.S.; defining the 4 term "appointed state officer"; amending s. 112.313, 5 F.S.; deleting a definition; extending the prohibition 6 on legislators, elected statewide officers, and 7 appointed state officers, from providing personal 8 representation for compensation before the government 9 body or agency of which the individual was an officer 10 or member to a number of specified years following vacation of office; extending the prohibition on 11 12 legislators lobbying the executive branch for 13 compensation to a number of specified years following 14 vacation of office; amending s. 1001.421, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; 15 16 providing an effective date.

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Section 1. Subsections (3) through (24) of section 112.312, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (4) through (25), respectively, and a new subsection (3) is added to that section, to read:

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112.312 Definitions.—As used in this part and for purposes of the provisions of s. 8, Art. II of the State Constitution,

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unless the context otherwise requires:

- appointive board, commission, committee, council, or authority of the executive or legislative branch of state government whose powers, jurisdiction, and authority are not solely advisory and include the final determination or adjudication of any personal or property rights, duties, or obligations, other than those relative to its internal operations.
- Section 2. Subsection (9) of section 112.313, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 112.313 Standards of conduct for public officers, employees of agencies, and local government attorneys.—
- (9) POSTEMPLOYMENT RESTRICTIONS; STANDARDS OF CONDUCT FOR LEGISLATORS AND LEGISLATIVE EMPLOYEES.—
- (a)1. It is the intent of the Legislature to implement by statute the provisions of s. 8(e), Art. II of the State Constitution relating to legislators, statewide elected officers, appointed state officers, and designated public employees.
 - 2. As used in this paragraph:
 - a. "Employee" means:
- (I) Any person employed in the executive or legislative branch of government holding a position in the Senior Management Service as defined in s. 110.402 or any person holding a position in the Selected Exempt Service as defined in s. 110.602

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or any person having authority over policy or procurement employed by the Department of the Lottery.

- (II) The Auditor General, the director of the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability, the Sergeant at Arms and Secretary of the Senate, and the Sergeant at Arms and Clerk of the House of Representatives.
- (III) The executive director and deputy executive director of the Commission on Ethics.
- (IV) An executive director, staff director, or deputy staff director of each joint committee, standing committee, or select committee of the Legislature; an executive director, staff director, executive assistant, analyst, or attorney of the Office of the President of the Senate, the Office of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Senate Majority Party Office, Senate Minority Party Office, House Majority Party Office, or House Minority Party Office; or any person, hired on a contractual basis, having the power normally conferred upon such persons, by whatever title.
- (V) The Chancellor and Vice Chancellors of the State University System; the general counsel to the Board of Governors of the State University System; and the president, provost, vice presidents, and deans of each state university.
- (VI) Any person, including an other-personal-services employee, having the power normally conferred upon the positions referenced in this sub-subparagraph.

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- b. "Appointed state officer" means any member of an appointive board, commission, committee, council, or authority of the executive or legislative branch of state government whose powers, jurisdiction, and authority are not solely advisory and include the final determination or adjudication of any personal or property rights, duties, or obligations, other than those relative to its internal operations.
- e. "State agency" means an entity of the legislative, executive, or judicial branch of state government over which the Legislature exercises plenary budgetary and statutory control.
- 3.a. \underline{A} No member of the Legislature, appointed state officer, or statewide elected officer \underline{may} not \underline{shall} personally represent another person or entity for compensation before the government body or agency of which the individual was an officer or member for a period of $\underline{6}$ 2 years following vacation of office. \underline{A} No member of the Legislature \underline{may} not \underline{shall} personally represent another person or entity for compensation during his or her term of office before any state agency other than judicial tribunals or in settlement negotiations after the filing of a lawsuit.
- b. For a period of $\underline{6}$ 2 years following vacation of office, a former member of the Legislature may not act as a lobbyist for compensation before an executive branch agency, agency official, or employee. The terms used in this sub-subparagraph have the same meanings as provided in s. 112.3215.

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- 4. An agency employee, including an agency employee who was employed on July 1, 2001, in a Career Service System position that was transferred to the Selected Exempt Service System under chapter 2001-43, Laws of Florida, may not personally represent another person or entity for compensation before the agency with which he or she was employed for a period of 2 years following vacation of position, unless employed by another agency of state government.
- 5. Any person violating this paragraph shall be subject to the penalties provided in s. 112.317 and a civil penalty of an amount equal to the compensation which the person receives for the prohibited conduct.
 - 6. This paragraph is not applicable to:
- a. A person employed by the Legislature or other agency prior to July 1, 1989;
- b. A person who was employed by the Legislature or other agency on July 1, 1989, whether or not the person was a defined employee on July 1, 1989;
- c. A person who was a defined employee of the State
 University System or the Public Service Commission who held such
 employment on December 31, 1994;
- d. A person who has reached normal retirement age as defined in s. 121.021(29), and who has retired under the provisions of chapter 121 by July 1, 1991; or
 - e. Any appointed state officer whose term of office began

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before January 1, 1995, unless reappointed to that office on or after January 1, 1995.

(b) In addition to the provisions of this part which are applicable to legislators and legislative employees by virtue of their being public officers or employees, the conduct of members of the Legislature and legislative employees shall be governed by the ethical standards provided in the respective rules of the Senate or House of Representatives which are not in conflict herewith.

Section 3. Section 1001.421, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1001.421 Gifts.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, district school board members and their relatives, as defined in s. $\underline{112.312(22)}$ $\underline{112.312(21)}$, may not directly or indirectly solicit any gift, or directly or indirectly accept any gift in excess of \$50, from any person, vendor, potential vendor, or other entity doing business with the school district. The term "gift" has the same meaning as in s. 112.312(13) $\underline{112.312(12)}$.

Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017.

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