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## DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Allows a health care provider on the faculty or staff of a public higher education institution to hold elective office in the government of the U. S.

Present law regulates dual officeholding and dual employment in order to prevent conflicts of interest and to promote and maintain citizen trust in government. Prohibits certain specific combinations of public office and employment, including a prohibition against a person holding at the same time an elective or appointive office or employment in state government and an elective office, appointive office, or employment in the U.S. government. Provides specified exceptions to this prohibition.

Proposed law provides an exception to present law to allow a health care provider on the faculty or staff of a public higher education institution to hold elective office in the government of the U.S.

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

(Adds RS. 42:66(E))