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## DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Repeals the prohibition against a legislator or the governor receiving or depositing campaign contributions during a regular legislative session and repeals the prohibition against a fundraising function being held by or for a legislator during a regular or extraordinary legislative session.

Present law prohibits a legislator or his principal campaign committee or any subsidiary committee thereof from accepting or depositing a contribution, loan, or transfer of funds or accept and use any in-kind contributions as defined by present law for his own campaign for his current office during a regular legislative session. Provides for circumstances in which a legislator or his principal campaign committee or any subsidiary committee thereof accepts or deposits a contribution, loan, or transfer during a regular legislative session. Provides for exceptions.

Proposed law repeals present law.

Present law prohibits the governor or his principal campaign committee or any subsidiary committee thereof from accepting or depositing a contribution, loan, or transfer of funds or accept and use any in-kind contributions as defined by present law for his own campaign for his current office during a regular legislative session or within 30 days after such regular legislative session adjourns. Provides for circumstances in which the governor or his principal campaign committee or any subsidiary committee thereof accepts or deposits a contribution, loan, or transfer during a regular legislative session. Provides for exceptions.

Proposed law repeals present law.

Present law (R.S. 24:56) prohibits a fundraising function for or by a legislator from being held during a regular legislative session unless notice of the function has been given not less than 30 days prior to the function. Prohibits a lobbyist from offering to provide to a legislator or his principal campaign committee any campaign contribution or loan resulting from a fundraising function held during a legislative session, unless the provisions of present law are complied with. Prohibits a legislator from soliciting or receiving any campaign contribution or loan for himself or his political campaign committee from a lobbyist resulting from a fundraising function held during a regular legislative session, unless the provisions of present law are complied with. Provides the provisions of present law shall not apply to any contribution, loan, or transfer of funds prohibited by present law (R.S. 18:1505.2(Q)) and shall not be construed in a manner to permit acceptance of any contribution, loan, or transfer of funds prohibited by present law (R.S. 18:1505.2(Q)).

Proposed law repeals present law.

Present law prohibits a state employee in his official capacity or on behalf of his agency from lobbying for or against any matter intended to have the effect of law pending before the legislature or any committee thereof. Prohibits a state employee in his official capacity or on behalf of his agency from entering into a contract with a lobbyist or contract for lobbying services to lobby for or against any matter intended to have the effect of law pending before the legislature or any committee thereof. Provides for what is considered a contract for the purpose of present law. Requires a person who enters into a contract to act in a representative capacity for the purpose of lobbying to register or file a supplemental registration providing the name and address of the person by whom he is employed or engaged and if different whose interests he represents.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law (R.S. 24:56.1) prohibits a fundraising function held by or for a legislator from being held during any session of the legislature convened pursuant to present constitution (Art. III, §2(B)) unless notice of the function has been filed no later than two business days after the issuance of the proclamation stating the objects of the session.

Proposed law repeals present law.

(Repeals R.S. 18:1505.2(Q) and (R) and R.S. 24:56(A)-(E) and 56.1)