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## DIGEST

Morrish (SB 226)

<u>Present law</u> prohibits a public servant or a legal entity in which he exercises control or has an interest in excess of 25% from accepting anything of economic value, for services rendered, from a person who has a business relationship with the agency of the public servant.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides exceptions to <u>present law</u> for members of a governing authority of a municipality with a population of 5000 or less, and for a legal entity in which an elected official of a parish governing authority of a parish with a population of 23,000 or less according to the latest federal decennial census has a controlling interest from bidding on or contracting with a public utility company if the only relationship the governing authority has with the public utility company is a standard, nonexclusive franchise agreement.

Effective August 1, 2012.

(Adds R.S. 42:1123(42))

## Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

## Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs to the original bill

1. Deletes "mayor" from the exception.

## Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

1. Adds an exception allowing a legal entity in which a certain elected official has controlling interest to bid on or contract with a public utility company, as long as the only relationship the governing authority has with the public utility is a standard, nonexclusive franchise agreement.