

By Senator Bullard

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1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to the receipt of gifts by candidates,
3 officers, and state employees; amending s. 112.3148, F.S.;
4 deleting a limitation on the amount of time that a gift
5 accepted on behalf of a governmental entity or charitable
6 organization may be retained; providing an effective date.

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8 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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10 Section 1. Subsection (4) of section 112.3148, Florida
11 Statutes, is amended to read:

12 112.3148 Reporting and prohibited receipt of gifts by
13 individuals filing full or limited public disclosure of financial
14 interests and by procurement employees.--

15 (4) A reporting individual or procurement employee or any
16 other person on his or her behalf is prohibited from knowingly
17 accepting, directly or indirectly, a gift from a political
18 committee or committee of continuous existence, as defined in s.
19 106.011, ~~or from~~ a lobbyist who lobbies the reporting
20 individual's or procurement employee's agency, or ~~directly or~~
21 ~~indirectly on behalf of~~ the partner, firm, employer, or principal
22 of a lobbyist, if he or she knows or reasonably believes that the
23 gift has a value in excess of \$100; however, ~~such~~ a gift may be
24 accepted by such person on behalf of a governmental entity or a
25 charitable organization. ~~If the gift is accepted on behalf of a~~
26 ~~governmental entity or charitable organization, the person~~
27 ~~receiving the gift shall not maintain custody of the gift for any~~
28 ~~period of time beyond that reasonably necessary to arrange for~~
29 ~~the transfer of custody and ownership of the gift.~~

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Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008.