

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,
 4 F.S.; deleting a limitation on the amount of time that
 5 a gift accepted on behalf of a governmental entity or
 6 charitable organization may be retained; providing an
 7 effective date.

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

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

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

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

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30 ~~reasonably necessary to arrange for the transfer of custody and~~
31 ~~ownership of the gift.~~

32 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2010.