

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, 2011.