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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Ethics and Elections (Latvala) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 1009 and 1010
insert:

Section 15. Paragraphs (a) and (c) of subsection (8) of section 112.3215, Florida Statutes, are amended, present subsections (11) through (14) are renumbered as (12) through (15), respectively, and a new subsection (11) is created to read:

112.3215 Lobbying before the executive branch or the Constitution Revision Commission; registration and reporting; investigation by commission.-



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13 (8) (a) The commission shall investigate every sworn
14 complaint that is filed with it alleging that a person covered
15 by this section has failed to register, has failed to submit a
16 compensation report, has made a prohibited expenditure or has
17 knowingly submitted false information in any report or
18 registration required in this section.

19 (c) The commission shall investigate any lobbying firm,
20 lobbyist, principal, agency, officer, or employee upon receipt
21 of information from a sworn complaint or from a random audit of
22 lobbying reports indicating a possible violation other than a
23 late-filed report.

24 (11) Any person who is required to be registered or to provide
25 information under this section or under rules adopted pursuant
26 to this section and who knowingly fails to disclose any material
27 fact that is required by this section or by rules adopted
28 pursuant to this section, or who knowingly provides false
29 information on any report required by this section or by rules
30 adopted pursuant to this section, commits a noncriminal
31 infraction, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$5,000. Such
32 penalty is in addition to any other penalty assessed by the
33 Governor and Cabinet pursuant to subsection (10).

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36 And the title is amended as follows:

37 Delete line 162

38 and insert:

39 thereto; amending s. 112.3215, F.S.; authorizing the
40 commission to investigate sworn complaints alleging a
41 prohibited expenditure; authorizing the commission to



42 investigate a lobbyist or principal upon a sworn
43 complaint or random audit; providing a civil penalty;
44 amending s. 112.324, F.S.; authorizing