98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2013 and 2014

HB5480

by Rep. Charles E. Meier

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act 720 ILCS 5/33-3

from Ch. 38, par. 33-3

Creates the Executive Officer Prohibited Awards Act. Provides that no executive branch constitutional officer may accept an award presented by an agency, board, or commission under the jurisdiction of that executive branch constitutional officer during his or her term of office. Defines "executive branch constitutional officer" as the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Secretary of State, Comptroller, and Treasurer. Amends the Criminal Code of 2012 to provide that a violation of the Executive Officer Prohibited Awards Act constitutes official misconduct. Effective immediately.

LRB098 15001 OMW 49957 b

CORRECTIONAL BUDGET AND IMPACT NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

HB5480

1

AN ACT concerning State government.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the
Executive Officer Prohibited Awards Act.

6 Section 5. Awards prohibited.

7 (a) No executive branch constitutional officer may accept 8 an award presented by an agency, board, or commission under the 9 jurisdiction of that executive branch constitutional officer 10 during his or her term of office.

11 (b) For the purposes of this Act:

12 "Executive branch constitutional officer" means the 13 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Secretary of 14 State, Comptroller, and Treasurer.

15 "Award" means a tangible token of recognition or honor, 16 including, but not limited to, trophies, prizes, plaques, 17 medals, and monetary awards.

Section 80. The Criminal Code of 2012 is amended by changing Section 33-3 as follows:

20 (720 ILCS 5/33-3) (from Ch. 38, par. 33-3)

21 Sec. 33-3. Official Misconduct. A public officer or

employee or special government agent commits misconduct when,
in his official capacity or capacity as a special government
agent, he commits any of the following acts:

4

5

(a) Intentionally or recklessly fails to perform any mandatory duty as required by law; or

6 (b) Knowingly performs an act which he knows he is 7 forbidden by law to perform; or

8 (c) With intent to obtain a personal advantage for 9 himself or another, he performs an act in excess of his 10 lawful authority; or

11 (d) Solicits or knowingly accepts for the performance 12 of any act a fee or reward which he knows is not authorized 13 by law<u>; or</u> -

14 (e) Accepts an award in violation of the Executive
 15 Officer Prohibited Awards Act.

A public officer or employee or special government agent convicted of violating any provision of this Section forfeits his office or employment or position as a special government agent. In addition, he commits a Class 3 felony.

For purposes of this Section, "special government agent" has the meaning ascribed to it in subsection (1) of Section 4A-101 of the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act.

23 (Source: P.A. 94-338, eff. 1-1-06.)

24 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 25 becoming law.

HB5480