102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2021 and 2022

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

5 ILCS 420/1-109	from Ch.	127,	par.	601-109
5 ILCS 420/2-101	from Ch.	127,	par.	602-101

Amends the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act. Provides limitations concerning lobbying by a member of the General Assembly or his or her spouse or any immediate family member living with that member of the General Assembly. Expands the definition of "lobbying" for purposes of the Act. Makes conforming changes. Effective immediately.

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AN ACT concerning government.

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

Section 5. The Illinois Governmental Ethics Act is amended
by changing Sections 1-109 and 2-101 as follows:

6 (5 ILCS 420/1-109) (from Ch. 127, par. 601-109)

7 Sec. 1-109. "Lobbying" means: (1) promoting or opposing in any manner the passage by the General Assembly of any 8 9 legislative matter affecting the interests of any individual, association or corporation as distinct from those of the 10 people of the State as a whole; (2) any communication with an 11 official of the executive or legislative branch of State 12 government, as defined under subsection (c) of Section 2 of 13 14 the Lobbyist Registration Act, for the ultimate purpose of influencing any executive, legislative, or administrative 15 16 action; or (3) any communication with an official of a unit of local government for the ultimate purpose of influencing any 17 official action of the unit of local government. 18

19 (Source: Laws 1967, p. 3401.)

20 (5 ILCS 420/2-101) (from Ch. 127, par. 602-101)

21 Sec. 2-101. No <u>member of the General Assembly, his or her</u> 22 <u>spouse, or any immediate family member living with that member</u> - 2 - LRB102 05084 RJF 15103 b

1 of the General Assembly legislator may engage in lobbying, as 2 that term is defined in Section 1-109, if he or she accepts 3 compensation specifically attributable to such lobbying, other 4 than that provided by law for members of the General Assembly. 5 Nothing in this Section prohibits a member of the General 6 Assembly, his or her spouse, or any immediate family member living with that member of the General Assembly legislator 7 from lobbying without compensation or lobbying as part of his 8 9 or her official duties as a member of the General Assembly.

10 A violation of this Section shall constitute a Class <u>3</u>
 11 <u>felony A misdemeanor</u>.

12 (Source: P.A. 77-2830.)

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

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