



Substitute Senate Bill No. 176

Public Act No. 18-64

AN ACT REQUIRING THE REPORTING OF CERTAIN GIFTS TO THE STATE UNDER THE CODE OF ETHICS FOR PUBLIC OFFICIALS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. Section 1-84c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):

(a) Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit the donation of goods or services, as described in subparagraph (E) of subdivision (5) of section 1-79, to a state agency or quasi-public agency, the donation of the use of facilities to facilitate state agency or quasi-public agency action or functions or the donation of real property to a state agency or quasi-public agency. [As used in this section, "state agency" and "quasi-public agency" have the same meanings as provided in section 1-79.]

(b) If a public official or state employee receives goods or services to support such official's or employee's participation at an event, as described in subparagraph (E) of subdivision (5) of section 1-79, and such goods or services (1) include lodging or out-of-state travel, or both, and (2) are not provided by the federal government or another state government, such official or employee shall, not later than thirty days after receipt of such goods or services, file a report with the Office

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of State Ethics. Such report shall be on an electronic form prescribed by the board and shall certify to the Office of State Ethics, under penalty of false statement, that the goods or services received in support of such official's or employee's participation at an event facilitated state action or functions. If a public official or state employee does not file a report within such thirty-day period, either intentionally or due to gross negligence on the official's or employee's part, the official or employee shall return to the donor the value of the goods or services received. Unless the failure to file such report is intentional or due to gross negligence, the public official or state employee shall not be subject to any penalty under this chapter for such failure.

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