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HOUSE BILL NO. 2567

98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE MCGAUGH.

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 105, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to lobbying restrictions on members of the general assembly, with a penalty provision.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 105, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 105.1310, to read as follows:

105.1310. 1. No person holding any compensated position in any organization, whether for-profit or not-for-profit, that employs lobbyists registered with the ethics commission shall hold a leadership position in either chamber of the general assembly. Any senator or representative violating this subsection shall be subject to discipline under the rules of the senate or the house of representatives, subject to discipline under article III, section 18 of the Constitution of Missouri, or subject to impeachment under the rules, practices, and procedures of each chamber of the general assembly, but such senator or representative shall not be subject to any other fine or penalty.

2. No senator or representative shall personally act or serve as a lobbyist, register as a lobbyist, or solicit clients to serve as a lobbyist during his or her term of office. Any individual who violates the provisions of this subsection shall be guilty of a class B misdemeanor. Any second or subsequent violation shall be a class D felony until December 31, 2016, and a class E felony beginning January 1, 2017.

3. Subsection 1 of this section shall not apply to senators or representatives who hold employment with any firm or organization that employs other individuals as registered lobbyists to serve primarily on behalf of the clients of the firm or organization.

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EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.