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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATE BILL

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STEFANO, BROWNE AND WARD, DECEMBER 11, 2015

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REFERRED TO STATE GOVERNMENT, DECEMBER 11, 2015

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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 65 (Public Officers) of the Pennsylvania  
2 Consolidated Statutes, in ethics standards and financial  
3 disclosure, further providing for definitions and for  
4 restricted activities.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Section 1102 of Title 65 of the Pennsylvania  
8 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding definitions to read:  
9 § 1102. Definitions.

10 The following words and phrases when used in this chapter  
11 shall have, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, the  
12 meanings given to them in this section:

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14 "Judicial officer." As defined in 42 Pa.C.S. § 102 (relating  
15 to definitions).

16 "Legislative chamber." The Senate or the House of  
17 Representatives.

18 "Legislator." A member of the Senate or the House of  
19 Representatives.

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2 Section 2. Section 1103 of Title 65 is amended by adding a  
3 subsection to read:

4 § 1103. Restricted activities.

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6 (k) Immediate family.--

7 (1) A legislator may not appoint, employ, promote,  
8 advance or advocate for appointment, employment, promotion or  
9 advancement of a member of any legislator's immediate family  
10 to a position in the legislative chamber to which the  
11 legislator making or advocating for the appointment,  
12 employment, promotion or advancement is elected, sworn and  
13 seated. Nor may a member of a legislator's immediate family  
14 be appointed, employed, promoted or advanced in or to a  
15 position in the legislative chamber that the legislator is  
16 elected, sworn and seated.

17 (2) A judicial officer may not appoint, employ, promote,  
18 advance or advocate for appointment, employment, promotion or  
19 advancement of a member of any judicial officer's immediate  
20 family to a position in the court to which the judicial  
21 officer making or advocating for the appointment, employment,  
22 promotion or advancement is elected or appointed, sworn and  
23 seated. Nor may a member of a judicial officer's immediate  
24 family be appointed, employed, promoted or advanced in or to  
25 a position in the court which the judicial officer is elected  
26 or appointed, sworn and seated.

27 (3) An executive-level State employee may not appoint,  
28 employ, promote, advance or advocate for appointment,  
29 employment, promotion or advancement of a member of any  
30 executive-level State employee's immediate family to a

1 position in the executive branch or the executive department  
2 to which the executive-level State employee making or  
3 advocating for the appointment, employment, promotion or  
4 advancement is elected or appointed, sworn and seated. Nor  
5 may a member of an executive-level State employee's immediate  
6 family be appointed, employed, promoted or advanced in or to  
7 a position in the executive branch or executive department  
8 which the executive-level State employee is elected or  
9 appointed, sworn and seated.

10 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.