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ARTICLE 2.2. LEGISLATIVE ETHICS

IC 2-2.2-1

Chapter 1. Definitions

IC 2-2.2-1-1

Application of definitions

Sec. 1. The definitions in this chapter apply throughout this article.
As added by P.L.123-2015, SEC.2.

IC 2-2.2-1-2

"Business entity"

Sec. 2. "Business entity" refers to any of the following:

- (1) A sole proprietorship.
- (2) A professional practice.
- (3) An unincorporated association.
- (4) A partnership.
- (5) A limited partnership.
- (6) A limited liability partnership.
- (7) A corporation.
- (8) A professional corporation.
- (9) A limited liability company.
- (10) A trust.
- (11) A business trust.
- (12) A real estate investment trust.
- (13) Any other form of organization permitted under Indiana law for business purposes.

As added by P.L.123-2015, SEC.2.

IC 2-2.2-1-3

"Close relative"

Sec. 3. (a) "Close relative" refers to the following relatives of an individual:

- (1) The individual's parent.
- (2) The individual's spouse.
- (3) The individual's children.

(b) A relative by adoption, half-blood, marriage, or remarriage is considered as a relative of whole kinship.

As added by P.L.123-2015, SEC.2.

IC 2-2.2-1-4

"Compensation"

Sec. 4. "Compensation" means any money, thing of value, or economic benefit conferred on, or received by, a person in return for services rendered, or for services to be rendered, whether by that person or another person.

As added by P.L.123-2015, SEC.2.

IC 2-2.2-1-5**"Ethics committee"**

Sec. 5. "Ethics committee" refers to either of the following:

- (1) The house legislative ethics committee established by IC 2-2.2-3-1(a).
- (2) The senate legislative ethics committee established by IC 2-2.2-3-1(b).

As added by P.L.123-2015, SEC.2.

IC 2-2.2-1-6**"Filer"**

Sec. 6. "Filer" refers to an individual who files a statement of economic interests under IC 2-2.2-2.

As added by P.L.123-2015, SEC.2.

IC 2-2.2-1-7**"Honorarium"**

Sec. 7. (a) "Honorarium" means a payment of money for an appearance or a speech.

(b) The term does not include the following:

- (1) Payment or reimbursement of travel expenses.
- (2) An item given as an award or that has nominal value.

As added by P.L.123-2015, SEC.2.

IC 2-2.2-1-8**"House"**

Sec. 8. "House" refers to the Indiana house of representatives.

As added by P.L.123-2015, SEC.2.

IC 2-2.2-1-9**"Information of a confidential nature"**

Sec. 9. "Information of a confidential nature" means information:

- (1) obtained by reason of being a member of the general assembly; and
- (2) that has not been, or will not be, communicated to the general public.

As added by P.L.123-2015, SEC.2.

IC 2-2.2-1-10**"Legislative matter"**

Sec. 10. "Legislative matter" means a bill, a resolution, an issue, or a proposal presented in, or considered by, the house or senate or any committee or subcommittee of the house or the senate.

As added by P.L.123-2015, SEC.2.

IC 2-2.2-1-11**"Lobbyist"**

Sec. 11. "Lobbyist" refers to a lobbyist (as defined in IC 2-7-1-10) registered under IC 2-7-2.

As added by P.L.123-2015, SEC.2.

IC 2-2.2-1-12

"Member"

Sec. 12. "Member" refers to either of the following:

- (1) A member of the house.
- (2) A member of the senate.

As added by P.L.123-2015, SEC.2.

IC 2-2.2-1-13

"Minority leader"

Sec. 13. "Minority leader" refers to the leader of the caucus of the party of the house or the senate that has the greatest number of members fewer than the caucus of the house or senate that has the greatest number of members.

As added by P.L.123-2015, SEC.2.

IC 2-2.2-1-14

"Person"

Sec. 14. "Person" refers to an individual, a business entity, a nonprofit corporation, a governmental agency, or a political subdivision.

As added by P.L.123-2015, SEC.2.

IC 2-2.2-1-15

"Presiding officer"

Sec. 15. "Presiding officer" refers to the following:

- (1) For the house, the speaker of the house.
- (2) For the senate, the president pro tempore of the senate.

As added by P.L.123-2015, SEC.2.

IC 2-2.2-1-16

"Principal administrative officer"

Sec. 16. "Principal administrative officer" refers to the following:

- (1) For the house, the principal clerk of the house.
- (2) For the senate, the principal secretary of the senate.

As added by P.L.123-2015, SEC.2.

IC 2-2.2-1-17

"Relative"

Sec. 17. (a) "Relative" of an individual refers to any of the following:

- (1) The individual's spouse.
- (2) A parent of the individual or a parent of the individual's spouse.
- (3) A child of the individual or a child of the individual's spouse.
- (4) A sibling of the individual or a sibling of the individual's spouse.

(5) An aunt or an uncle of the individual or an aunt or an uncle of the individual's spouse.

(6) A niece or nephew of the individual or a niece or nephew of the individual's spouse.

(7) A grandparent of the individual or a grandparent of the individual's spouse.

(8) A grandchild of the individual or a grandchild of the individual's spouse.

(9) A great-grandparent of the individual or a great-grandparent of the individual's spouse.

(10) A great-grandchild of the individual or a great-grandchild of the individual's spouse.

(b) A relative by adoption, half-blood, marriage, or remarriage is considered as a relative of whole kinship.

As added by P.L.123-2015, SEC.2.

IC 2-2.2-1-18

"Senate"

Sec. 18. "Senate" refers to the Indiana senate.

As added by P.L.123-2015, SEC.2.

IC 2-2.2-1-19

"State agency"

Sec. 19. (a) "State agency" has the meaning set forth in IC 4-13-1-1(b).

(b) The term does not include a state educational institution or an agency of a political subdivision (as defined in IC 36-1-2-13).

As added by P.L.123-2015, SEC.2.