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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1271, L.D. 1832, Bill, "An Act to Prohibit Lobbying by Government Agencies"

Amend the bill in section 1 by striking out all of the indented paragraph (page 1, lines 6 to 8 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following:

'Any person officially representing a state agency who testifies before a committee may not take a position or express personal opinion during the person's testimony. A person officially representing a state agency may provide written information and respond to committee requests for information either orally or in writing.'

Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the summary the following:

'FISCAL NOTE

The Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices will incur some minor additional costs to enforce this provision. These costs can be absorbed within the commission's existing budgeted resources.'

SUMMARY

This amendment clarifies the original bill by restricting

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2 anyone officially representing a state agency from taking a
position or expressing a personal opinion on an issue when
4 testifying before a legislative committee. That person may
provide written information and respond to committee requests
either orally or in writing.
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