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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "*A*" to H.P. 326, L.D. 521, "An Act to Prevent Political Patronage with Regard to State Legislators"

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Amend the bill in section 1 in §1025 in subsection 1 in the last line (page 1, line 8 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "ends" the following: 'unless that person has specific experiential, educational or other professional qualifications for that position'

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Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

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SUMMARY

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This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, adds an exception to the employment restriction in the bill. A person who served as a Legislator with educational, experiential or other professional qualifications directly applicable to the employment in a state agency or nonprofit corporation that directly or indirectly receives state funds is not prohibited from employment with a state agency or nonprofit corporation for any period of time.

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FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



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LD 521

LR 1238(02)

An Act to Prevent Political Patronage with Regard to State Legislators

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment *A(H-32)*

Committee: State and Local Government

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund
Minor revenue increase - General Fund
Minor revenue increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

Correctional and Judicial Impact Statements

The additional workload associated with the minimal number of new cases filed in the court system does not require additional funding at this time.

The collection of additional fine revenue will increase General Fund and dedicated revenue by minor amounts.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Any additional costs to the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices to adopt the changes in this bill are expected to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.