

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2628

Introduced by Assembly Member Levine

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An act to add Section 87406.5 to the Government Code, relating to the Political Reform Act of 1974.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2628, as introduced, Levine. Political Reform Act of 1974: postgovernmental employment.

The Political Reform Act of 1974 imposes certain restrictions on postgovernmental employment of specified public officials of state and local agencies.

This bill would prohibit an elected or appointed officer of a state or local agency, for a period of one year after leaving office, from maintaining employment with or being a compensated consultant of any other board, commission, or other body on which the officer served as a member while holding the elective or appointed office.

A violation of the act is punishable as a misdemeanor by expanding the scope of an existing crime, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

The Political Reform Act of 1974, an initiative measure, provides that the Legislature may amend the act to further the act’s purposes upon a 2/3 vote of each house and compliance with specified procedural requirements.

This bill would declare that it furthers the purposes of the act.

Vote: 2/3. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 87406.5 is added to the Government
2 Code, to read:

3 87406.5. An elected or appointed officer of a state or local
4 agency, for a period of one year after leaving office, shall not
5 maintain employment with or be a compensated consultant of any
6 board, commission, or other body on which the officer served as
7 a member while holding the elective or appointed office.

8 SEC. 2. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to
9 Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because
10 the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school
11 district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or
12 infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty
13 for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of
14 the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within
15 the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California
16 Constitution.

17 SEC. 3. The Legislature finds and declares that this bill furthers
18 the purposes of the Political Reform Act of 1974 within the
19 meaning of subdivision (a) of Section 81012 of the Government
20 Code.

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