

COMMISSION ON ETHICS LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

February 12, 2018, 11:00 a.m.

325 John Knox Rd.  
Tallahassee, FL

AGENDA

- I. Roll call
- II. Adoption of minutes
- III. Report on progress since last meeting
- IV. Discussion of next actions to take
- V. Consideration of schedule for next meeting/future meetings
- VI. Adjournment

**STATE OF FLORIDA  
COMMISSION ON ETHICS**

**Thursday, February 1, 2018**

*Commission on Ethics  
325 John Knox Road, Building E, Suite 200  
Tallahassee, Florida*

**LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

At 3:00 p.m. Chair Michael Cox called the meeting to order with the following members present:

MATTHEW CARSON  
MICHAEL COX (by phone)

Commissioner Michelle Anchors was absent from the meeting.

The presence of a quorum was noted.

**Commissioner Carson moved to approve the minutes of the January 24, 2018, Legislative Committee meeting. Minutes were adopted by consensus.**

Commissioner Carson reported on the Senate Ethics and Elections Committee's consideration of SB 1628, which was adopted as amended and is pending before the Senate Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee. The amendment includes language making sexual favors and sexual conduct a benefit in the misuse provision as well as "favors" in the solicitation and acceptance of gifts law. It adds additional penalties to a sexual harassment violation.

Ms. Kerrie Stillman discussed her meeting with Patrick Steele in Senator Mayfield's office regarding SB 1534, and updated the Committee on the status of the following House and Senate bills.

An amendment to House Bill 7007, the state ethics reform bill, was considered by the House Public Integrity and Ethics Committee. The amendment added a sexual harassment section to the Code of Ethics similar to SB 1628. The amendment passed. The bill has no other committee stops in the House.

Ms. Stillman also discussed proposals of the Constitution Revision Commission. Proposal 39 would allow the Commission to define the term "disproportionate benefit." An attempt to amend the proposal to include a prohibition on state officers being employed by a person or entity who lobbies any state government body or agency other than judicial tribunals, failed.

House Bill 3, the Economic Development and Tourism Promotion Accountability Act, passed in the House and is pending in the Senate.

House Bill 5 regarding State Officer Post-service Lobbying Restrictions is assigned to three Senate committees, but has not yet been scheduled.

House Bill 17 regarding Community Redevelopment Agencies has been referred to three committees in the Senate.

House Bill 7003 has been referred to three committees in the Senate.

The Committee set its next meeting for Monday, February 12, 2018, at 11:00 a.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further items on the agenda, the Legislative Committee Meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:

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Diana Westberry, *Secretary*

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Michael Cox, *Chair*

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Date