## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Provides an exception to the nepotism prohibitions to allow an immediate family member of a coach of a collegiate athletic program to be employed on the staff of that program.

<u>Present law</u> (ethics code) generally prohibits an immediate family member of an agency head from being employed in his agency, but <u>present law</u> has a general exception to allow the continued employment of an immediate family member of an agency head if the public employee has been employed in the agency for a period of at least one year prior to the public employee's immediate family member becoming the agency head. <u>Present law</u> contains additional, more specific exceptions.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and provides an additional exception to allow an immediate family member of a coach of an athletic program at public higher education institution to be employed on the staff of that program and to receive normal promotional advancements.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 42:1119(I))