

**CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT
House Bill No. 9 By Representative LaFleur**

November 22, 2005

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives and the Honorable President and Members of the Senate.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the conferees appointed to confer over the disagreement between the two houses concerning House Bill No. 9 by Representative LaFleur, recommend the following concerning the Reengrossed bill:

1. That Senate Committee Amendments Nos. 1, 15, and 16 proposed by the Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs and adopted by the Senate on November 17, 2005, be adopted.
2. That Senate Committee Amendments Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, and 14 proposed by the Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs and adopted by the Senate on November 17, 2005, be rejected.
3. That Amendment No. 1 proposed by the Legislative Bureau and adopted by the Senate on November 18, 2005, be rejected.
4. That the Senate Floor Amendment proposed by Senator Dardenne and adopted by the Senate on November 21, 2005, be rejected.
5. That the set of Senate Floor Amendments proposed by Senator Cain and adopted by the Senate on November 21, 2005, be rejected.
6. That the following amendments to the reengrossed bill be adopted:

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 3, after "certain officials" and before "to disclose" insert "and immediate family members of such officials"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 4, after "content of" insert "and procedures for"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, delete lines 10 and 11 and insert a comma "," and "appointed state official, and immediate family member of an elected official or appointed state official who derives, either directly or through a legal entity in which such official or immediate"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, line 14, after "official or" and before "immediate" delete "his"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 1, line 17, after "(1)(a)" delete "The" and insert "If an elected or appointed official, the"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 2, delete lines 1 through 3 and insert the following:

"(b) If an immediate family member of an elected or appointed official, the name and address of such person; the name, address, and office of the elected or appointed official to whom the person is related; and the nature of the relationship."

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 2, line 12, delete "spouse" and insert "immediate family member"

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 2, line 14, delete "elected or appointed official" and insert "person"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 2, delete line 20 and insert the following:

"C.(1) Each elected or appointed official and immediate family member subject to the provisions of this Section, except members of the legislature,"

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 2, line 27, after "official or" and before "immediate" delete "his"

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 2, line 28, after "official" and before "shall" insert "or immediate family member"

AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 3, between lines 2 and 3, insert the following:

"(2)(a) Each member of the legislature subject to the provisions of this Section shall file an initial disclosure statement with the clerical officer of the house to which he belongs no later than thirty days after the effective date of this Section or fifteen days after the legislator or legal entity enters into the contract or subcontract, whichever occurs later. The initial disclosure statement shall contain all of the information required by Subsection A of this Section, except that instead of the actual amount of income or value of any thing of economic value derived from the contract or subcontract by the legislator for the previous calendar year, the legislator shall include the amount of income or value of any thing of economic value to be derived or, if the actual amount is unknown at the time the statement is due, reasonably expected to be derived from the contract or subcontract for the first calendar year of the contract or subcontract.

(b) After filing the initial disclosure statement, the legislator shall file the disclosure statements required by this Section with the appropriate clerical officer no later than February fifteenth each year and shall include such information for the previous calendar year.

(c) Within fifteen days of receipt of any such disclosure statement, the clerical officer shall transmit a copy of such disclosure statement to the Board of Ethics and the disclosure statement shall be deemed to be filed with the board by the member as of the date of filing with the clerical officer.

(d) Once a legislator has filed an initial disclosure statement, the appropriate clerical officer shall notify such legislator that an annual disclosure statement is due until a final disclosure statement is filed in accordance with this Section."

AMENDMENT NO. 13

On page 3, line 3, after "D.(1)" delete "After" and insert "Except as otherwise provided for members of the legislature, after"

AMENDMENT NO. 14

On page 3, at the beginning of line 4, after "official" insert "or immediate family member"

AMENDMENT NO. 15

On page 3, line 7, after "official" and before "subject" insert "or immediate family member"

AMENDMENT NO. 16

On page 3, line 10, after "disclosure" and before "or the" insert a comma ",."

AMENDMENT NO. 17

On page 3, line 10, after "statements" and before "is no" insert "or to whom the immediate family member is related"

AMENDMENT NO. 18

On page 3, line 18, after "official" insert "or immediate family member"

Respectfully submitted,

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Representative Charles D. Lancaster, Jr.

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