

## RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

**ACT 87 (HB 272)**

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**Smith**

Existing law (R.S. 42:1111 and 1115 – ethics code) generally prohibits public servants from receiving things of economic value from specified prohibited sources or for certain duties related to the public position. Existing law provides certain exceptions, including allowing a public servant to accept complimentary admission to a civic, non-profit, educational, or political event when the public servant is a program honoree, giving a speech at the event, or a panel member for a discussion occurring at the event and allowing a public servant to accept complimentary admission to a fundraising event for a candidate or political party. Existing law specifically excludes from such exceptions admission to any professional, semi-professional, or collegiate sporting event.

New law additionally provides an exception to allow a public servant to accept complimentary admission to a fundraising event held by or for the benefit of an educational institution or by or for the benefit of a nonprofit organization that conducts educational programs. New law maintains the existing exclusion of admission to any professional, semi-professional, or collegiate sporting event from such exception.

Effective May 11, 2016.

(Adds R.S. 42:1123(13)(a)(iii))