
DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides relative to disclosures to the Bd. of Ethics regarding school board employees who are family members of school board members or school district superintendents.

Present law prohibits an agency head from employing a member of his immediate family in his agency and prohibits a governmental entity from employing an immediate family member of a member of the governing authority or of the chief executive of the governmental entity.

Present law provides an exception that authorizes a local school board to employ any member of the immediate family of a board member or of the school district superintendent as a classroom teacher if the family member is certified to teach or is temporarily authorized to teach while pursuing certification. Present law provides other specific exceptions relating to employment of family members by school boards.

Present law requires that, within 30 days after the beginning of each school year, a school board member or superintendent whose immediate family member is employed by the school board shall file a disclosure statement with the Bd. of Ethics stating the facts of such employment.

Proposed law retains present law except to change the deadline for filing such disclosures to Sept. 15th of each year.

Present law, retained by proposed law, provides that a person who fails to timely file a disclosure statement may be assessed a late fee of \$50 per day, not to exceed \$1500.

(Amends R.S. 42:1119(B)(2)(a)(iii))