

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Existing law prohibits an elected official of a governmental entity from receiving or agreeing to receive any thing of economic value for assisting a person in a transaction or in an appearance in connection with a transaction with the governmental entity or its officials or agencies unless he files a written statement with the Bd. of Ethics (board) prior to or within 10 days after initial assistance is rendered. Existing law excludes ministerial transactions from this requirement.

Existing law provides that the contents of the statement shall be prescribed by the board, provides that the statement shall be a public record, and requires the board to review all the statements. If the board determines a statement to be deficient or suggest a violation of the ethics code, requires the board to notify the official of its findings.

Prior law required the board to notify the official of its findings within 10 days after receiving his statement.

New law extends the time period the board has to notify the official to no later than the second regularly scheduled meeting of the board following receipt of his statement.

Effective August 1, 2022.

(Amends R.S. 42:1111(E)(2)(d))