

Regular Session, 2013

HOUSE BILL NO. 479

BY REPRESENTATIVE BARRAS

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 42:1170(A)(3)(a) and to enact R.S. 42:1170(A)(3)(c) and R.S.
3 46:1076.1, relative to mandatory ethics education and training; to exempt certain
4 employees in certain hospitals from annual ethics education and training
5 requirements; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 42:1170(A)(3)(a) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S.
8 42:1170(A)(3)(c) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §1170. Ethics education; mandatory requirements; ethics designee

10 A.

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12 (3)(a)(i) Commencing on January 1, 2012, each public servant who was not
13 required to complete education and training pursuant to Paragraph (1) or (2) of this
14 Subsection shall receive a minimum of one hour of education and training on the
15 Code of Governmental Ethics during each year of his public employment or term of
16 office, as the case may be.

17 (ii) Commencing on January 1, 2014, each head of a department, except
18 statewide elected officials, of the executive branch enumerated in R.S. 36:4(A), shall
19 be required to receive an additional one hour of education and training on the Code
20 of Governmental Ethics during each year of his public employment or term of office,
21 as the case may be. The additional topic to be addressed shall be contract ethics.

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1 (c) The provisions of Subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph shall not apply to
 2 a nonsalaried employee of a hospital owned or operated by a hospital service district
 3 as defined in R.S. 46:1072 unless the employee is authorized to enter into contracts
 4 on behalf of the hospital for goods or services or the duties of the employee include
 5 the supervision of another public employee.

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7 Section 2. R.S. 46:1076.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §1076.1. Mandatory ethics training

9 As provided in R.S. 42:1170, certain hospital employees shall be exempt
 10 from mandatory ethics education and training.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____