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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Government Operations and Elections Policy
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Read for the Second Time
- 05/22/2017 Pursuant to Rule 4.20, returned to the Committee on Government Operations and Elections Policy

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to state government; prohibiting members and employees of the Minnesota

1.3 Sports Facilities Authority and the Minnesota Ballpark Authority from giving gifts

1.4 to certain officials; amending Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 10A.071,

1.5 subdivisions 2, 3.

1.6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.7 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 10A.071, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

1.8 Subd. 2. **Prohibition.** (a) A lobbyist or principal may not give a gift or request another

1.9 to give a gift to an official. A member or employee of the Minnesota Sports Facilities

1.10 Authority established in section 473J.07 or the Minnesota Ballpark Authority established

1.11 in section 473.755 may not give a gift or request another to give a gift to an official.

1.12 (b) An official may not accept a gift from a lobbyist or principal that is prohibited by

1.13 this subdivision.

1.14 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

1.15 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 10A.071, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

1.16 Subd. 3. **Exceptions.** (a) The prohibitions in this section do not apply if the gift is:

1.17 (1) a contribution as defined in section 10A.01, subdivision 11;

1.18 (2) services to assist an official in the performance of official duties, including but not

1.19 limited to providing advice, consultation, information, and communication in connection

1.20 with legislation, and services to constituents;

1.21 (3) services of insignificant monetary value;

- 2.1 (4) a plaque with a resale value of \$5 or less;
- 2.2 (5) a trinket or memento costing \$5 or less;
- 2.3 (6) informational material with a resale value of \$5 or less; or
- 2.4 (7) food or a beverage given at a reception, meal, or meeting if:
- 2.5 (i) the reception, meal, or meeting is held away from the recipient's place of work by an
- 2.6 organization before whom the recipient appears to make a speech or answer questions as
- 2.7 part of a program; or
- 2.8 (ii) the recipient is a member or employee of the legislature and an invitation to attend
- 2.9 the reception, meal, or meeting was provided to all members of the legislature at least five
- 2.10 days prior to the date of the event.
- 2.11 (b) The prohibitions in this section do not apply if the gift is given:
- 2.12 (1) because of the recipient's membership in a group, a majority of whose members are
- 2.13 not officials, and an equivalent gift is given to the other members of the group; or
- 2.14 (2) by ~~a lobbyist or principal who~~ is a member of the family of the recipient, unless the
- 2.15 gift is given on behalf of someone who is not a member of that family.
- 2.16 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.