

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE
2 BILL NO. 2187

By: Nelson, Johnson and
Reynolds of the House

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4 Aldridge of the Senate
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7 An Act relating to state officials; amending 21 O.S.
8 2001, Section 360, which relates to crimes against
9 state property and revenue; prohibiting certain
10 persons from soliciting licensees regarding
11 legislation; providing exception; and providing an
12 effective date.

13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

14 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2001, Section 360, is
15 amended to read as follows:

16 Section 360. A. No public employee or public official, as
17 defined in Section 304 of Title 51 of the Oklahoma Statutes, shall
18 directly or indirectly coerce, attempt to coerce, command, advise or
19 direct any state employee to pay, lend or contribute any part of his
20 or her salary or compensation, time, effort or anything else of
21 value to any party, committee, organization, agency or person for
22 political purposes.

23 B. No public employee or official shall retaliate against any
24 employee for exercising his or her rights or for not participating

1 in permitted political activities as provided in Ethics Commission
2 Rule 10-1-4.

3 C. No chief executive officer or other administrative head of a
4 state agency which has the power to issue a license to a natural
5 person or any person having authority to act on such chief executive
6 officer's or administrative head's behalf shall directly or
7 indirectly solicit support or opposition for legislation from any
8 natural person who holds a license issued by that agency.

9 D. The provisions of subsection C of this section shall not be
10 applicable to a person who serves on the governing board of the
11 agency or a person who is appointed to serve on a task force or
12 similar entity created by a legislative measure.

13 E. Any person convicted of willfully violating the provisions
14 of this section shall be guilty of a felony and shall be punished by
15 the imposition of a fine of not more than Ten Thousand Dollars
16 (\$10,000.00) or by imprisonment for not longer than two (2) years,
17 or by both said fine and imprisonment.

18 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2009.
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1 Passed the House of Representatives the 3rd day of March, 2009.

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