## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

No. 1998 Session of 2021

INTRODUCED BY HANBIDGE, HERRIN AND OTTEN, OCTOBER 21, 2021

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, OCTOBER 21, 2021

## AN ACT

Amending Titles 65 (Public Officers) and 71 (State Government) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in ethics standards and financial disclosure, further providing for 3 restricted activities; and, in benefits, providing for 4 payment of benefits from the system to former members of 5 General Assembly. 6 7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 8 hereby enacts as follows: 9 Section 1. Section 1103(g) of Title 65 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended to read: 10 § 1103. Restricted activities. 11 12 13 (g) Former official or employee. --14 (1) No former public official or public employee shall 15 represent a person, with promised or actual compensation, on 16 any matter before the governmental body with which he has 17 been associated for one year after he leaves that body. 18 (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a former 19 member of the General Assembly who represents a person, with promised or actual compensation, in any matter before the 2.0

- 1 <u>General Assembly may not receive pension benefits</u>
- 2 <u>administered by the State Employees' Retirement System or</u>
- 3 health benefits administered by the Commonwealth during the
- 4 <u>calendar year when the former member assists or acts in a</u>
- 5 <u>representative capacity before the General Assembly. This</u>
- 6 paragraph shall only apply to former members of the General
- 7 Assembly first elected after the effective date of this
- 8 <u>paragraph</u>.
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- 10 Section 2. Title 71 is amended by adding a section to read:
- 11 § 5711. Payment of benefits from the system to former members
- of General Assembly.
- 13 <u>Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a former member</u>
- 14 of the General Assembly who represents a person, with promised
- 15 <u>or actual compensation, in any matter before the General</u>
- 16 Assembly may not receive benefits from the system during the
- 17 calendar year when the former member assists or acts in a
- 18 representative capacity before the General Assembly. This
- 19 <u>section shall only apply to former members of the General</u>
- 20 Assembly first elected after the effective date of this
- 21 paragraph.
- 22 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.