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May 12, 2015

The Honorable Senator "Jody" Amedee  
Chairman, Senate and Governmental Affairs  
P.O. Box 94183  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804

**Re: Promulgation of Amended Rules Regarding Food and Drink Limit and Repeal of Sections due to Act 857 of 2014 Session (LAC 52: I. Chapter 13, Chapter 17, and Chapter 19, *Louisiana Register*, Volume 41, No. 4, April 20, 2015, Page 764)**

Dear Senator Amedee:

Pursuant to R.S. 49:968(D)(1)(b), the Louisiana Board of Ethics reports that no public hearing has been or will be held as to the proposed amended regulations concerning the limit for food, drink or refreshments provided in R.S. 42:1115.1A and B and repeal of forms that are now amended by joint approval of the Senate and Governmental Affairs Committee and the House and Governmental Affairs Committee. The deadline to submit comments or request a public hearing for the proposed rules was May 10, 2015. No one submitted comments or requested a public hearing; therefore, no public hearing was scheduled.

If you would like to schedule a hearing before the Senate and Governmental Affairs Committee to consider these suggested rules, please contact Kristy Gary, Deputy Ethics Administrator or myself to provide such assistance as is necessary under these circumstances. Upon receiving a favorable recommendation, the Louisiana Board of Ethics anticipates the final rule will be published and the effective date of the proposed rules will be July 20, 2015.

Sincerely,

**LOUISIANA BOARD OF ETHICS**

Kathleen M. Allen  
For the Board

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**Part I. Board of Ethics**

**Chapter 13. Records and Reports**

**§1312. Statements Filed Pursuant to Section 1124.6 of the Code of Governmental Ethics**

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with Act 238 of the 2009 Regular Legislative Session.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Civil Service, Board of Ethics, LR 36:1463 (July 2010), repealed LR 41:

**§1318. Statements Filed Pursuant to Section 1124 of the Code of Governmental Ethics**

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 42:1134(A).

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Civil Service, Board of Ethics, LR 35:408 (March 2009), amended LR 36:233 (February 2010), repealed LR 41:

**§1319. Statements Filed Pursuant to Section 1124.2 of the Code of Governmental Ethics**

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 42:1134(A).

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Civil Service, Board of Ethics, LR 35:421 (March 2009), amended LR 36:262 (February 2010), repealed LR 41:

**§1320. Statements Filed Pursuant to Section 1124.1 of the Code of Governmental Ethics**

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 42:1134(A).

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Civil Service, Board of Ethics, LR 35:434 (March 2009), amended LR 36:292 (February 2010), repealed LR 41:

**§1321. Statements Filed Pursuant to Section 1124.3 of the Code of Governmental Ethics**

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 42:1134(A).

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Civil Service, Board of Ethics, LR 35:440 (March 2009), amended LR 36:301 (February 2010), repealed LR 41:

**§1322. Statements Filed Pursuant to Section 1124.5 of the Code of Governmental Ethics**

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 42:1134(A).

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Civil Service, Board of Ethics, LR 36:301 (February 2010), repealed LR 41:

**Chapter 17. Code of Governmental Ethics**

**§1703. Food and Drink Limit**

A. In accordance with R.S. 42:1115.1(C), beginning on July 1, 2015, the limit for food, drink or

refreshments provided in R.S. 42:1115.1(A) and (B) is \$60.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 42:1115.1.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Civil Service, Board of Ethics, LR 36:304 (February 2010), amended LR 36:1466 (July 2010), LR 38:1951 (August 2012), LR 39:3062 (November 2013) LR 40:1678 (September 2014), amended LR 41:

**Chapter 19. Legislative Branch Lobbyist Disclosure Act**

**§1906. Personal Financial Disclosure Form**

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 42:1134(A).

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Civil Service, Board of Ethics, LR 30:2673 (December 2004), repromulgated LR 31:620 (March 2005), repealed LR 41:

**Family Impact Statement**

The proposed Rule has no known impact on family formation, stability or autonomy, as described in R.S. 49:972.

**Poverty Impact Statement**

The proposed Rule has no known impact on poverty, as described in R.S. 49:972.

**Small Business Statement**

The proposed Rule should not have any known or adverse impact on small business as described in R.S. 49:956.6

**Provider Impact Statement**

The proposed Rule should not have any known or foreseeable impact on providers as defined by HCR 170 of 2014 Regular Legislative Session.

**Public Comments**

Interested persons may direct their comments to Kathleen M. Allen, Louisiana Board of Ethics, P.O. Box 4368, Baton Rouge, LA 70821, telephone (225) 219-5600, until 4:45 p.m. on May 10, 2015.

Kathleen M. Allen  
Ethics Administrator

**FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT  
STATEMENT FOR ADMINISTRATIVE RULES  
RULE TITLE: Food and Drink Limit and  
Act 857 of 2014 Legislative Session**

I. ESTIMATED IMPLEMENTATION COSTS (SAVINGS) TO STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS (Summary)

There is no anticipated impact to state or local government entities as a result of the proposed rule changes. The proposed rule applies the provisions of Act 857 of the 2014 Legislative Session, which requires campaign finance disclosure, personal financial disclosure forms and reports to be amended by joint approval of the Senate and Governmental

Affairs Committee and the House and Governmental Affairs Committee. The proposed administrative rule also raises the monetary limit on the receipt of food and drink by public servants and public employees from \$58 to \$60 in FY 16.

II. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON REVENUE COLLECTIONS OF STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS (Summary)

The proposed rule will have no anticipated effect on revenue collections of state or local governmental units.

III. ESTIMATED COSTS AND/OR ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO DIRECTLY AFFECTED PERSONS OR NONGOVERNMENTAL GROUPS (Summary)

The proposed action will affect all public employees and public servants by setting a monetary limit on the receipt of food and drink.

IV. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT (Summary)

The proposed rule change will have no anticipated effect on competition and employment.

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