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S.B. No. 1492

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to restrictions on future employment for state officers and employees who participate in a procurement or contract negotiation on behalf of a state agency; creating an offense.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 572, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 572.069 to read as follows:

Sec. 572.069. CERTAIN EMPLOYMENT FOR FORMER STATE OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE RESTRICTED; CRIMINAL PENALTY. (a) A former state officer or employee of a state agency who during the period of state service or employment participated on behalf of a state agency in a procurement or contract negotiation involving a person may not accept employment from that person before the second anniversary of the date the officer's or employee's service or employment with the state agency ceased.

(b) An individual commits an offense if the individual violates this section. An offense under this subsection is a Class A misdemeanor.

SECTION 2. Section 572.069, Government Code, as added by this Act, applies only to a state officer or employee whose service or employment with a state agency ceases on or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.