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### **SB1327 (Baker)**

#### **SYNOPSIS:**

Prohibits public officials and public employees from accepting a cash gift from a lobbyist or a person seeking official action.

#### **BILL SUMMARY**

Defines "cash gift" as United States or foreign currency, money orders, checks, prepaid debit or credit cards and gift cards/gift certificates.

Exclusions include properly reported political contributions, commercial loans made during the ordinary course of business, transactions involving consideration of equal or greater value, gifts from family members not linked to official action, gifts offered to the general public and awards or prizes given out in a contest open to the public.

The bill prohibits solicitation or acceptance of cash gifts from lobbyist/principals or a person that is seeking official action from the public official or public employee.

An intentional violation of the law may result in monetary fines and/or criminal prosecution.

This law would take effect in 60 days.