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AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 1223

2 AMENDMENT NO. . Amend Senate Bill 1223 on page 3, line 20, after the period, by inserting "The Local Government 3 Ethics Commission does not have jurisdiction over: (i) Regional 4 Transit Boards, as that term is defined in Section 1-5 of the 5 6 State Officials and Employees Ethics Act; (ii) local officials 7 of Regional Transit Boards; or (iii) venders and others doing 8 business with a Regional Transit Board; the Executive Ethics 9 Commission and Executive Inspector General have jurisdiction 10 over Regional Transit Boards and board members, employees, 11 vendors, and others doing business with the Regional Transit 12 Boards under Article 75 of the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act."; and 13

14 on page 6, by replacing line 21 with the following:

15 "unit of local government or local official. The Local 16 Government Inspector General does not have jurisdiction over 10100SB1223sam001 -2- LRB101 07927 AWJ 57311 a

Regional Transit Boards, as that term is defined in Section 1-5 of the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act, or local officials of Regional Transit Boards; the Executive Inspector General has jurisdiction over Regional Transit Boards and board members, employees, vendors, and others doing business with the Regional Transit Boards under Article 75 of the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act.

8 If an investigation's focus is split between allegations of 9 misconduct investigated by the Executive Inspector General and 10 allegations investigated by the Local Government Inspector 11 General, the Local Government Inspector General shall take reasonable steps, including continued consultation with the 12 13 Executive Inspector General, to ensure that his or her 14 investigation will not interfere with or disrupt any 15 investigation by the Executive Inspector General or law 16 enforcement authorities. In instances in which the Local Government Inspector General continues to investigate other 17 18 allegations associated with allegations that have been 19 referred to the Executive Inspector General under this 20 subsection, the Local Government Inspector General shall report the results of its investigation to the Executive 21 22 Inspector General."; and

on page 19, line 19, by replacing "body." with "body, including referring allegations of misconduct by State employees or other individuals or entities under the jurisdiction of the Executive 10100SB1223sam001 -3- LRB101 07927 AWJ 57311 a

1 Inspector General to the Executive Inspector General for 2 investigation."; and

3 on page 20, below line 16, by inserting the following:

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"Section 75. Confidentiality.

(a) The identity of an individual providing information or 5 6 reporting possible or alleged misconduct to the Office of the 7 Local Government Inspector General or the Local Government 8 Ethics Commission shall be kept confidential and may not be disclosed without the consent of that individual, unless the 9 10 individual consents to disclosure of his or her name or 11 disclosure of the individual's identity is otherwise required 12 by law. The confidentiality granted by this subsection does not 13 preclude the disclosure of the identity of a person in any 14 capacity other than as the source of an allegation.

(b) Except as provided under Section 55, commissioners, employees, and agents of the Local Government Ethics Commission, the Local Government Inspector General, and the Office of the Attorney General shall keep confidential and shall not disclose information exempted from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act or by this Act.

(c) In his or her discretion, the Local Government Inspector General may notify complainants and subjects of an investigation with an update on the status of the respective investigation, including when the investigation is opened and 1 closed.

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Section 80. Exemptions.

3 (a) Documents generated by the Offices of the Local 4 Government Inspector General or the Local Government Ethics 5 Commission under this Act are exempt from disclosure under the 6 Freedom of Information Act.

7 (b) Allegations and related documents submitted to the 8 Local Government Inspector General and pleadings and related 9 documents brought before the Local Government Ethics 10 Commission are exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act if the Local Government Ethics Commission does 11 12 not make a finding of a violation of this Act. If the Local Government Ethics Commission finds that a violation has 13 14 occurred, the entire record of proceedings before the 15 Commission, the decision and recommendation, and the response from the agency head or ultimate jurisdictional authority to 16 the Local Government Ethics Commission are not exempt from 17 Freedom of 18 disclosure under the Information Act, but 19 information contained therein that is otherwise exempt from the Freedom of Information Act must be redacted before disclosure 20 21 as provided in the Freedom of Information Act. A summary report 22 released by the Local Government Ethics Commission under 23 Section 55 is a public record, but information redacted by the Local Government Ethics Commission is not a part of the public 24 25 record.

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(c) Meetings of the Local Government Ethics Commission are
exempt from the provisions of the Open Meetings Act.

3 Unless otherwise provided (d) in this Act, all 4 investigatory files and reports of the Office of Local 5 Government Inspector General, other than quarterly reports 6 required under Section 70, are confidential, are exempt from 7 disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, and shall not be divulged to any person or agency, except as necessary (i) to 8 9 а law enforcement authority, (ii) to the ultimate 10 jurisdictional authority, (iii) to the Local Government Ethics 11 Commission, or (iv) to the Office of the Attorney General.".