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1	AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 3581
2	AMENDMENT NO Amend Senate Bill 3581 on page 1,
3	immediately below line 3, by inserting the following:
4 5	"Section 3. The School Code is amended by changing Section 22-93 as follows:
6	(105 ILCS 5/22-93)
7	Sec. 22-93. School guidance counselor; gift ban.
8	(a) In this Section:
9	" <u>School</u> Guidance counselor" means a person employed by a
10	school district and working in a high school to offer students
11	advice and assistance in making career or college plans.
12	"Prohibited source" means any person who is employed by an
13	institution of higher education or is an agent or spouse of or
14	an immediate family member living with a person employed by a
15	institution of higher education.
16	"Relative" means an individual related to another as

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1 father, mother, son, daughter, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, great-aunt, great-uncle, first cousin, nephew, niece, husband, 2 wife, grandfather, grandmother, grandson, granddaughter, 3 4 father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, 5 brother-in-law, sister-in-law, stepfather, stepmother, stepson, stepdaughter, stepbrother, stepsister, half brother, 6 or half sister or the father, mother, grandfather, or 7 8 grandmother of the individual's spouse or the individual's 9 fiance or fiancee.

10 (b) A <u>school</u> <u>guidance</u> counselor may not intentionally 11 solicit or accept any gift from a prohibited source or solicit 12 or accept a gift that would be in violation of any federal or 13 State statute or rule. A prohibited source may not 14 intentionally offer or make a gift that violates this Section.

15 (c) The prohibition in subsection (b) does not apply to 16 any of the following:

17 (1) Opportunities, benefits, and services that are
18 available on the same conditions as for the general
19 public.

20 (2) Anything for which the <u>school</u> <u>guidance</u> counselor
 21 pays the market value.

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(3) A gift from a relative.

(4) Anything provided by an individual on the basis of
 a personal friendship, unless the <u>school</u> guidance
 counselor has reason to believe that, under the
 circumstances, the gift was provided because of the

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official position or employment of the <u>school</u> guidance counselor and not because of the personal friendship. In determining whether a gift is provided on the basis of personal friendship, the <u>school</u> guidance counselor must consider the circumstances in which the gift was offered, including any of the following:

7 (A) The history of the relationship between the
8 individual giving the gift and the <u>school</u> guidance
9 counselor, including any previous exchange of gifts
10 between those individuals.

(B) Whether, to the actual knowledge of the <u>school</u>
guidance counselor, the individual who gave the gift
personally paid for the gift or sought a tax deduction
or business reimbursement for the gift.

15 (C) Whether, to the actual knowledge of the <u>school</u> 16 guidance counselor, the individual who gave the gift 17 also, at the same time, gave the same or a similar gift 18 to other school district employees.

19 (5) Bequests, inheritances, or other transfers at20 death.

(6) Any item or items from any one prohibited source
during any calendar year having a cumulative total value
of less than \$100.

(7) Promotional materials, including, but not limited
 to, pens, pencils, banners, posters, and pennants.

26 (8) Travel, lodging, food, and beverage costs incurred

1 by the school counselor and paid by an institution of higher education for attendance by the school counselor of 2 3 an educational or military program at the institution of 4 higher education. Any costs paid for by the institution of 5 higher education may not exceed the per diem rates for travel, gift, and car expenses set by the federal Internal 6 Revenue Service and referenced in the Internal Revenue 7 Service's Publication 463 or a successor publication. As 8 used in this paragraph (8), "institution of higher 9 10 education" means any publicly or privately operated university or college, public community college, business, 11 technical, or vocational school, military academy, or 12 13 other educational institution offering degrees and 14 instruction beyond the secondary school level.

Each exception listed under this subsection is mutually exclusive and independent of one another.

(d) A <u>school</u> <u>guidance</u> counselor is not in violation of this Section if he or she promptly takes reasonable action to return the gift to the prohibited source or donates the gift or an amount equal to its value to an appropriate charity that is exempt from income taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

A <u>school</u> guidance counselor or prohibited source who intentionally violates this Section is guilty of a business offense and is subject to a fine of at least \$1,001 and up to \$5,000. 10300SB3581ham002 -5- LRB103 37914 RJT 73057 a

1 (Source: P.A. 102-327, eff. 1-1-22; 102-813, eff. 5-13-22.)";
2 and

3 on page 12, immediately below line 18, by inserting the 4 following:

5 "Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon6 becoming law.".