

Senate Bill 1103

Sponsored by Senator MEEK

SUMMARY

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Prohibits individual who is serving as Governor, Secretary of State, State Treasurer, Attorney General or Commissioner of Bureau of Labor and Industries from holding controlling interest in business or receiving money or other consideration for being otherwise employed as employee or hired as independent contractor during period in which individual holds relevant public office.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to outside work by public officials.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2023 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 244.**

5 **SECTION 2. (1) An individual who is serving as Governor, Secretary of State, State**
6 **Treasurer, Attorney General or Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries may**
7 **not hold a controlling interest in a business or receive money or any other form of consid-**
8 **eration, as defined in ORS 171.725, in exchange for being otherwise employed as an employee**
9 **or hired as an independent contractor during the period of time that the individual is serving**
10 **in the public office.**

11 **(2)(a) If the holder of a public office listed in subsection (1) of this section has a con-**
12 **trolling interest in a business, the holder of public office may transfer the interest to a blind**
13 **trust within 61 calendar days of election or appointment to the public office.**

14 **(b) As used in this subsection, "blind trust" means a trust agreement:**

15 **(A) Under which neither the trustor nor the beneficiaries have any control or influence**
16 **over, or knowledge of, the assets in the trust; and**

17 **(B) That qualifies as a "qualified blind trust" under the Ethics in Government Act of**
18 **1978, P.L. 95-521, as amended on the effective date of this 2023 Act.**

19 **(3) This section may not be interpreted to prohibit the Governor, Secretary of State,**
20 **State Treasurer, Attorney General and Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries**
21 **from:**

22 **(a) Receiving any part of an official compensation package from a public body;**

23 **(b) Engaging in volunteer activities for which the public official does not receive money**
24 **or any other form of consideration, as defined in ORS 171.725; or**

25 **(c) Receiving reimbursement for any actual expenses incurred by the public official.**
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NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.