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Fiscal No. 1

# PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2024

Page 1, line 2, after "commission" insert "; and to declare an emergency"

Page 1, replace lines 11 through 13 with:

"Ethics commission	<u>\$623,984</u>	<u>\$392,115</u>	\$1,016,099
Total general fund	\$623,984	\$392,115	\$1,016,099
Full-time equivalent positions	1.00	1.00	2.00

# SECTION 2. ONE-TIME FUNDING - EFFECT ON BASE BUDGET - REPORT TO SIXTY-NINTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. The following amounts reflect the one-time funding items included in the appropriation in section 1 of this Act:

One-Time Funding Description	<u>2021-23</u>	<u>2023-25</u>
Attorney fees	\$0	\$72,000
Office relocation	<u>0</u>	<u>25,000</u>
Total general fund	\$0	\$97,000

The 2023-25 biennium one-time funding amounts are not a part of the entity's base budget for the 2025-27 biennium. The ethics commission shall report to the appropriations committees of the sixty-ninth legislative assembly on the use of this one-time funding for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2025.

**SECTION 3. EMERGENCY.** The sum of \$97,000 for attorney fees and office relocation costs included in the ethics commission line item in section 1 of this Act is declared to be an emergency measure."

Renumber accordingly

### STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

#### Senate Bill No. 2024 - Ethics Commission - House Action

	Base Budget	Senate Version	House Changes	House Version
Ethics commission	\$623,984	\$1,051,976	(\$35,877)	\$1,016,099
Total all funds Less estimated income	\$623,984 0	\$1,051,976 0	(\$35,877) 0	\$1,016,099 0
General fund	\$623,984	\$1,051,976	(\$35,877)	\$1,016,099
FTE	1.00	2.00	0.00	2.00

# **Department 195 - Ethics Commission - Detail of House Changes**

	Adjusts Funding for Salary and Benefit Increases¹	Removes Salary Funding for Funding Pool <sup>2</sup>	Reduces Temporary Salaries Funding Increase <sup>2</sup>	Adds One- Time Funding <sup>4</sup>	Total House Changes
Ethics commission	\$9,030	(\$71,907)	(\$70,000)	\$97,000	(\$35,877)
Total all funds Less estimated income General fund	\$9,030 0 \$9,030	(\$71,907) 0 (\$71,907)	(\$70,000) 0 (\$70,000)	\$97,000 0 \$97,000	(\$35,877) 0 (\$35,877)
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Salaries and wages funding is adjusted to provide for 2023-25 biennium salary increases of 6 percent on July 1, 2023, and 4 percent on July 1, 2024, and for adjustments to health insurance premium rates as follows:

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	<u>Fund</u>	
Salary increase	\$9,	
Health insurance adjustment	Ĺ	

(<u>118</u>) \$9,030 Total The Senate provided salary adjustments of 4 percent on July 1, 2023, and July 1, 2024.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Funding for new FTE positions and estimated savings from vacant FTE positions is removed as shown below. These amounts are available to the agency if needed by submitting a request to the Office of Management and Budget for a transfer from the new and vacant FTE funding pool.

	General
	<u>Fund</u>
New FTE positions	(\$60,798)
Vacant FTE positions	(11,109)
Total	(\$71,907)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Funding of \$100,000 added by the Senate to increase temporary salaries funding is reduced to \$30,000.

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	General
	<u>Fund</u>
Attorney fees	\$72,000
Office relocation costs	<u>25,000</u>
Total	\$97,000

A section is also added to declare the one-time funding to be an emergency measure.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> One-time funding is added for the following items: