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MR. SPEAKER:

I move that House Bill 1065 be amended to read as follows:

- 1 Page 1, after line 17, begin a new paragraph and insert:
- 2 "SECTION 3. IC 35-44.1-1-2.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
- 3 CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
- 4 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026]: **Sec. 2.5. (a) As used in this section,**
- 5 **"gratuity" means a payment made to an elected official for the**
- 6 **elected official's personal use that is made as a reward for a final**
- 7 **action taken by the elected official in the official's official capacity.**
- 8 **However, the term does not include:**
- 9 (1) a good or service that is:
- 10 (A) subject to a reporting requirement; or
- 11 (B) otherwise authorized;
- 12 under a rule or code of ethics that applies to the donor or
- 13 elected official;
- 14 (2) a good or service having a de minimis value of less than
- 15 one hundred dollars (\$100);
- 16 (3) an item that is primarily ceremonial or commemorative,
- 17 such as a plaque, trophy, certificate, framed photo, or similar
- 18 item;
- 19 (4) a political contribution subject to IC 3-9-2 that is reported
- 20 in accordance with applicable law;
- 21 (5) salary, wages, a bonus, or any other form of work related
- 22 compensation:

- 1 (A) from the governmental entity that employs the elected
 2 official; and
 3 (B) that the elected official is legally authorized to receive;
 4 or
 5 (6) any payment made more than three hundred sixty-five
 6 (365) days after the final action.
 7 (b) As used in this section, "elected official" includes a former
 8 elected official.
 9 (c) A person who provides a gratuity to an elected official for a
 10 final action taken by the elected official:
 11 (1) at the direction of the person; and
 12 (2) in the elected official's official capacity;
 13 commits providing an unlawful gratuity to an elected official, a
 14 Class A misdemeanor. However, the offense is a Level 6 felony if
 15 the fair market value of the gratuity is at least seven hundred fifty
 16 dollars (\$750).
 17 (d) An elected official who:
 18 (1) solicits or accepts a gratuity from another person; and
 19 (2) either:
 20 (A) solicits the gratuity as a reward for; or
 21 (B) knows or reasonably should know that the gratuity is
 22 offered as a reward for;
 23 a final action performed by the elected official in the elected
 24 official's official capacity;
 25 commits soliciting or accepting an unlawful gratuity, a Class A
 26 misdemeanor. However, the offense is a Level 6 felony if the fair
 27 market value of the gratuity is at least seven hundred fifty dollars
 28 (\$750)."
 29 Delete pages 2 through 3.
 (Reference is to HB 1065 as printed January 22, 2026.)

Representative Meltzer