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MEMORANDUM

To: Chairperson McGinn and members of the Senate Ways and Means Committee
From: Jill Ann Wolters, Senior Assistant Revisor
Date: January 23, 2012
Subject: SB 258, ethics law, state university employees and negotiated contracts

Current law in the state governmental ethics law, prohibits state university employees from being substantially involved in the preparation of or to participate in the making of a negotiated contract in which they have a substantial interest.

Pursuant to Senate Bill No. 258, the state university employee could provide significant factual information, advice or recommendations in relation to the negotiated terms of a technology licensing agreement or other research or development agreement between the state university and a company in which the employee has a substantial interest, provided that the employee does not have the authority to negotiate the terms of such agreement, or to approve such agreement on behalf of the state university.

The act would take effect upon publication in the statute book.

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