

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chair of Committee

January 29, 2025
Date

Committee on Transportation, Housing & Local Government.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

HB25-1079 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee on Appropriations with favorable recommendation:

1 Amend printed bill, page 2, after line 1 insert:

2 **"SECTION 1. Legislative Declaration.** (1) The general
3 assembly finds and declares that:

4 (a) An expansion of the jurisdiction of the independent ethics
5 commission will result in the filing of more ethics complaints with the
6 independent ethics commission;

7 (b) An increase in complaint volume will increase the need for
8 resources within the independent ethics commission to process and decide
9 complaints; and

10 (c) Resources to allocate to the independent ethics commission to
11 process the increased complaint volume are limited.

12 (2) The general assembly further finds and declares that the
13 independent ethics commission's jurisdiction should be expanded while
14 using existing resources so that the general assembly may observe the
15 actual increase in caseload presented by the expansion and allocate
16 appropriate resources to the independent ethics commission in the
17 future."

18 Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

19 Page 3, line 25, after "LAW," insert "AND USING EXISTING
20 APPROPRIATIONS,".

21 Page 4, strike lines 11 through 24 and substitute:

22 **"SECTION 3. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
23 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the

1 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except
2 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V
3 of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this
4 act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take
5 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
6 November 2026 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
7 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor."

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