

**Senate Study Bill 1010 - Introduced**

SENATE/HOUSE FILE \_\_\_\_\_  
BY (PROPOSED ETHICS AND  
CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE BOARD  
BILL)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to public disclosure of the receipt of certain  
2 gifts, bequests, and honoraria and making penalties  
3 applicable.  
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 8.7, Code 2013, is amended to read as  
2 follows:

3 **8.7 Reporting of gifts and bequests received.**

4 All gifts and bequests received by a department or accepted  
5 by the governor on behalf of the state shall be reported  
6 in an electronic format to the Iowa ethics and campaign  
7 disclosure board and the general assembly's standing committees  
8 on government oversight. A report shall be filed only for  
9 months in which a gift or bequest is received or accepted. A  
10 report shall be filed no later than the tenth day of the month  
11 following the month in which a gift or bequest is received or  
12 accepted. The ethics and campaign disclosure board shall, by  
13 January 31 of each year, submit to the fiscal services division  
14 of the legislative services agency a written report listing all  
15 gifts and bequests received or accepted during the previous  
16 calendar year with a value over one thousand dollars and the  
17 purpose for each such gift or bequest. The submission shall  
18 also include a listing of all gifts and bequests received by a  
19 department from a person if the cumulative value of all gifts  
20 and bequests received by the department from the person during  
21 the previous calendar year exceeds one thousand dollars, and  
22 the ethics and campaign disclosure board shall include, if  
23 available, the purpose for each such gift or bequest. However,  
24 the reports on gifts or bequests filed by the state board of  
25 regents and the Iowa state fair board pursuant to section 8.44  
26 shall be deemed sufficient to comply with the requirements of  
27 this section.

28 **Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 68B.23A Gifts and honoraria reporting.**

29 1. An official or employee of the executive branch shall  
30 submit a report to the board in an electronic format for any  
31 gift or series of gifts or honorarium or series of honoraria  
32 received by the official, employee, or immediate family member  
33 of the official or employee from a restricted donor that  
34 exceeds one hundred dollars in the aggregate in a calendar  
35 year.

1 2. A report shall be filed no later than the tenth day of  
2 the month following the month in which the gifts or honoraria  
3 are received by the official or employee or that person's  
4 immediate family member.

5 3. The board shall prescribe the information to be submitted  
6 on the report which shall include, at a minimum, the name of  
7 the official, employee, or immediate family member who received  
8 the gift; the position or title of the official or employee;  
9 the name and address of the restricted donor; a description of  
10 the gift; the estimated value of the gift; and the exception in  
11 section 68B.22, subsection 4, or section 68B.23, subsection 2,  
12 that allows the official, employee, or immediate family member  
13 to accept, directly or indirectly, the gift.

14 4. Contributions to a candidate or a candidate's committee  
15 shall not be included in the report if such contributions are  
16 disclosed on the candidate's committee disclosure reports.

17 5. Gifts of food, beverage, and entertainment received at  
18 a function meeting the criteria in section 68B.22, subsection  
19 4, paragraph "s", shall not be included in the report if  
20 the function is registered and a disclosure report is filed  
21 pursuant to section 68B.22, subsection 4, paragraph "s".

22 EXPLANATION

23 This bill relates to public disclosure of the receipt of  
24 certain gifts, bequests, and honoraria.

25 The bill requires reports filed pursuant to Code section  
26 8.7, relating to gifts and bequests received by a department or  
27 accepted by the governor on behalf of the state, be filed in an  
28 electronic format. The bill requires reports to be filed only  
29 for months in which a gift or bequest is received or accepted.  
30 The bill requires reports to be filed no later than the tenth  
31 day of the month following the month in which the gift or  
32 bequest is received or accepted.

33 The bill requires an official or employee of the executive  
34 branch to submit a report in an electronic format to the  
35 ethics and campaign disclosure board for any gift or series

1 of gifts or honorarium or series of honoraria received by the  
2 official, employee, or immediate family member of the official  
3 or employee from a restricted donor that exceeds \$100 in the  
4 aggregate in a calendar year. The bill provides for the timing  
5 of such reports and the information to be included in the  
6 reports. Gifts received that are not required to be disclosed  
7 include those that meet the gift law exceptions relating to  
8 contributions to a candidate and relating to food, beverage,  
9 and entertainment received at a function qualifying under Code  
10 section 68B.22, subsection 4, paragraph "s".

11 A person that knowingly and intentionally violates this  
12 provision is guilty of a serious misdemeanor under Code section  
13 68B.34. A serious misdemeanor is punishable by confinement for  
14 no more than one year and a fine of at least \$315 but not more  
15 than \$1,875.