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Sponsor(s): Senators Long, Spanel and Horn; by request of
Legislative Ethics Board

Brief Title: Limiting political activities of citizen members of
the legislative ethics board.

SB 5272 - DIGEST

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 3/12/97)

Provides that no citizen member of the legislative ethics board may: (1) Hold or campaign for partisan elective office other than the position of precinct committeeperson, or any full-time nonpartisan office;

(2) be an officer of any political party or political committee as defined in chapter 42.17 RCW, other than the position of precinct committeeperson;

(3) permit his or her name to be used, or make contributions, in support of or in opposition to any legislative candidate, any legislative caucus campaign committee that supports or opposes legislative candidates, or any political action committee that supports or opposes legislative candidates; or

(4) engage in lobbying in the legislative branch under circumstances not exempt, under RCW 42.17.160, from lobbyist registration and reporting.

Provides that no citizen member of the legislative ethics board may hold or campaign for a seat in the state house of representatives or the state senate within two years of serving on the board if the citizen member opposes an incumbent who has been the respondent in a complaint before the board.