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# ACT No. 148

HOUSE BILL NO. 340

BY REPRESENTATIVES WHITE, DURAND, HEBERT, SCALISE, TRAHAN, AND  
WALSWORTH AND SENATORS BROOME, DUPRE, ELLINGTON, FIELDS,  
AND ULLO

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 42:1169(A) and (E) and to enact R.S. 42:1169(G), relative to prohibited actions by employers against their employees; to provide relative to the procedures of the board of ethics concerning findings relating to public hearings and involving possible criminal activity; to provide relative to the records of the board concerning such findings; to require the posting in certain buildings of certain information regarding the rights of public employees to be free from reprisal for disclosing certain improper or illegal acts of employers; to provide relative to penalties; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 42:1169(A) and (E) are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 42:1169(G) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§1169. Freedom from reprisal for disclosure of improper acts

A. Any public employee who reports to his agency head or the board information which he reasonably believes is a violation of any provision of law within the jurisdiction of the board or of any order, rule, or regulation issued ~~hereunder~~ thereunder or any other alleged acts of impropriety within any governmental entity shall be free from discipline or reprisal for reporting said acts of alleged impropriety. No employee with authority to hire and fire, supervisor, agency head, or other elected official shall subject to reprisal any public employee because of said employee's efforts to disclose such acts of alleged impropriety.

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