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HOUSE BILL 520

45TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2001

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AN ACT

**RELATING TO GOVERNMENTAL CONDUCT; RESTRICTING RECEIPT OF GIFTS
BY PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES.**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

**Section 1. A new section of the Governmental Conduct Act
is enacted to read:**

" [NEW MATERIAL] RESTRICTIONS ON GIFTS. --

**A. Except for gifts of food or beverage consumed
at the time of receipt, not exceeding fifty dollars (\$50.00)
for a single gift and the aggregate value of which gifts may
not exceed one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) in a calendar
year, a public officer or employee shall not accept anything
of value directly or indirectly from a person who:**

**(1) has a current contract with the public
officer's or employee's state office;**

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(2) is a potential bidder, offeror or contractor for the provision of services or personal property to the public officer's or employee's state office;

(3) is an investment broker or investment manager or agent of that person; or

(4) is an organization, association or other entity having membership that includes persons described in Paragraphs (1) through (3) of this subsection.

B. This section does not apply to:

(1) travel costs and food and beverage associated with due diligence visits in carrying out the public officer's or employee's fiduciary duty; or

(2) an occasional gift that is insignificant in value. "