

**House Bill 3066**  
Senate Amendments  
Section-by-Section Analysis

HOUSE VERSION

SECTION 1. Section 253.038, Election Code, is amended by adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

(a-1) A candidate or officeholder or a specific-purpose committee for supporting, opposing, or assisting the candidate or officeholder may not knowingly make or authorize a payment from a political contribution for the rental or purchase of real property from:

(1) a person related within the second degree by consanguinity or affinity, as determined under Chapter 573, Government Code, to the candidate or officeholder;

or

(2) a business in which the candidate or officeholder or a person described by Subdivision (1) has a participating interest of more than 10 percent, holds a position on the governing body, or serves as an officer.

SECTION 2. The heading to Section 253.038, Election Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 253.038. PAYMENTS MADE TO PURCHASE REAL PROPERTY OR TO RENT CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY PROHIBITED.

SECTION 3. Section 253.038(a-1), Election Code, as added by this Act, applies to a payment made from political contributions on or after the effective date of this Act, without regard to whether the payment was made under a lease or other agreement entered into before the effective date of this Act. A payment made

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(1) a person related in the first degree by consanguinity or affinity, as determined under Chapter 573, Government Code, to the candidate or officeholder; or

(2) a business in which the candidate or officeholder or a person described by Subdivision (1) has a participating interest of more than 10 percent, holds a position on the governing body, or serves as an officer.

Same as House version.

SECTION 3. Section 253.038(a-1), Election Code, as added by this Act, applies to a payment made from political contributions on or after September 1, 2007, without regard to whether the payment was made under a lease or other agreement entered into before that date. A payment made from political contributions before

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from political contributions before **the effective date of this Act** is governed by the law in effect on the date the payment was made, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 4. This Act takes effect **immediately** if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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**September 1, 2007**, is governed by the law in effect on the date the payment was made, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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