

Amend CSHB 26 (house committee printing) as follows:

(1) On page 1, line 13, strike "(e-2) and (m)" and substitute "(e-2), (e-3), (m), and (n)".

(2) On page 3, between lines 4 and 5, insert the following:

(e-3) An entity seeking a grant is ineligible to receive the grant if, during the period beginning on the 90th day before the date on which the entity applies for the grant and ending on the date the grant is to be awarded, the entity:

(1) offers, confers, or agrees to confer a benefit, as defined by Section 36.01, Penal Code, with a value that exceeds \$500 in a calendar year on an officer or employee with the authority to award the grant; or

(2) makes political contributions, as defined by Section 251.001, Election Code, that in the aggregate exceed \$500 in a calendar year to an officer or employee with the authority to award the grant.

(3) On page 5, between lines 14 and 15, insert the following:

(n) A grant recipient that, during the period beginning on the date the grant is awarded and ending on the 180th day after the date the grant is awarded, takes an action described by Subsection (e-3)(1) or (2) shall repay the grant to the state.