



North Carolina General Assembly Legislative Ethics Committee

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PUBLISHED ADVISORY OPINION OF THE LEGISLATIVE ETHICS COMMITTEE

AO-LEC-09-002: Would any attempt by a legislator to eliminate the State funding for a contract employee's position with a State university be unethical?

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QUESTION:

- (1) Would any attempt by a legislator to eliminate the State funding for a contract employee's position with a State university be unethical?

OPINION:

No. A legislator's attempt to eliminate State funding for a particular position is not, in and of itself, unethical. However, there could be specific circumstances where a legislator's actions related to the elimination of funding for a position could be unethical. See, for example, G.S. 120-86.1.