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Article IX of the Appropriations Act passed by the 75th Legislature requires that The Texas A&M University System distribute to you the information printed below. In addition, we are required to collect from you your signed statement that you have received this information. Please read the information below, sign the statement, make a copy for your records and return the signed original to your Human Resources Office.

Political Aid and Legislative Influence Prohibited (Section 5). None of the moneys appropriated by this Act, regardless of their source or character, shall be used for influencing the outcome of any election, or the passage or defeat of any legislative measure. This prohibition shall not be construed to prevent any official or employee of the state from furnishing to any Member of the Legislature or committee upon request, or to any other state official or employee or to any citizen information in the hands of the employee or official not considered under law to be confidential information. Any action taken against an employee or official for supplying such information shall subject the person initiating the action to immediate dismissal from state employment.

No funds under the control of any state agency or institution, including but not limited to state appropriated funds, may be used directly or indirectly to hire employees or in any other way fund or support candidates for the legislative, executive, or judicial branches of government of the State of Texas or the government of the United States.

None of the funds appropriated by this Act shall be expended in payment of the salary for full-time employment of any state employee who is also the paid lobbyist of any individual, firm, association or corporation. None of the funds appropriated by this Act hall be expended in payment of the partial salary of a part-time employee who is required to register as a lobbyist by virtue of the employees activities for compensation by or on behalf of industry, a profession or association related to operation of the agency or institution for which the person is employed. A part-time employee may serve as a lobbyist on behalf of industry, a profession or association so long as such entity is not related to the agency with which he or she is employed.

Except as authorized by law, none of the funds appropriated by this Act shall be expended in payment of membership dues to an organization on behalf of the agency or an employee of an agency if the organization pays all or part of the salary of a person required to register under Chapter 305, Government Code.

No employee of any state agency shall use any state-owned automobile except on official business of the state, and such employees are expressly prohibited from using such automobile in connection with any political campaign or any personal or recreational activity.

None of the moneys appropriated by this Act shall be paid to any official or employee who violates any of the provisions of this section.

Standards of Conduct for State Employees (Section 6). None of the funds appropriated by this Act shall be expended to pay the salary of a state employee who:

(1) accepts or solicits any gift, favor, or service that might reasonably tend to influence the employ in the discharge of the official duties or that the employee knows or should know is being offered with the intent to influence the employees official conduct;

(2) accepts other employment or engages in a business or professional activity that the employee might reasonably expect would require or induce the employee to disclose confidential information acquired by reason of the official position;

(3) accepts other employment or compensation that could reasonably by expected to impair the employee's independence of judgement in the performance of the employees official duties;

(4) makes personal investments that could reasonably be expected to create a substantial conflict between the employees private interest and the public interest; or

(5) intentionally or knowingly solicits, accepts, or agrees to accept any benefit for having exercised be the employees official powers or performed the employees official duties in favor of another.

Acknowledgment:

I have received and read the above excerpts of Sections 5 and 6 of Article IX, HB1, 75th Legislature (1997).

Signature	Date
Print Name	UIN