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House Bill 65 Sectional Analysis Version: CS HB65 (STA)

Short Title: Leg./Pub. Official Financial Disclosure

- **Section 1:** Narrows the exemption from the requirement to file campaign reports electronically to candidates for office in a municipality with a population of less than 5,000 instead of 15,000.
- **Section 2:** Moves the deadline for the annual Legislative Financial Disclosure (LFD) to May 15 instead of March 15.
- **Section 3:** Makes a conforming change to the statute that outlines the consequences for a legislator who neglects to file an LFD by the deadline.
- **Section 4**: Moves the deadline for the annual Public Official Financial Disclosure (POFD) to May 15 instead of March 15.
- **Section 5**: Amends existing statute that allows filers an exemption from disclosing certain information in a POFD to accommodate changes made by sections 6 and 8 of this bill.
- **Section 6**: Codifies a process to allow a person to request, and APOC to grant, a waiver from disclosing certain information required in a POFD if the disclosure would:
 - (1) violate state or federal law;
 - (2) would violate a professional rule that a state or federal law requires a person to follow; or
 - (3) would harm a person's livelihood by diminishing the commercial value of the information or adversely affecting the person's competitive position.
- **Section 7:** Narrows the exemption from the requirement to file a POFD electronically to officials in a municipality with a population of less than 5,000 instead of 15,000.
- Section 8: Rewrites the section of statue that outlines POFD filing requirements for municipalities. Exempts officials in a municipality with a population of less than 1,000 from the requirement to file a POFD this conforms to campaign reporting laws. Allows municipalities to opt-in or opt-out of POFD filing by a public vote.

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