

AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To limit the acceptance of certain gifts by judges and justices.

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Referred to the Committee on _____ and ordered to be printed

Ordered to lie on the table and to be printed

AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. FEINGOLD (for himself and Mr. KYL)

Viz:

1 At the end of the bill, insert the following:

2 **SEC. 5. JUDICIAL GIFTS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—A Federal judge or justice shall
4 not—

5 (1) accept, in connection with a single trip or
6 event, travel, food, lodging, reimbursement, outside
7 earned income, or anything that would be considered
8 a gift under the Regulations of the Judicial Con-
9 ference of the United States Under Title III of the

1 Ethics Reform Act of 1989 Concerning Gifts, valued
2 at greater than \$1,500, from a source other than—

3 (A) the Federal Government or a State or
4 local government; or

5 (B) a State or local bar association, a sub-
6 ject-matter bar association, a judicial associa-
7 tion, the Judicial Division of the American Bar
8 Association, or the National Judicial College;
9 and

10 (2) accept travel, food, lodging, reimbursement,
11 outside earned income, or anything that would be
12 considered a gift under the Regulations of the Judi-
13 cial Conference of the United States Under Title III
14 of the Ethics Reform Act of 1989 Concerning Gifts,
15 in connection with attending, as a speaker or partici-
16 pant, a program, a significant purpose of which is
17 the education of United States Federal or state
18 judges, from a source other than—

19 (A) the Federal Government or a State or
20 local government; or

21 (B) a State or local bar association, a sub-
22 ject-matter bar association, a judicial associa-
23 tion, the Judicial Division of the American Bar
24 Association, or the National Judicial College.

25 (b) VALUE LIMITS.—

1 (1) AGGREGATE LIMIT.—The total value of all
2 travel, gifts, and other things regulated in subsection
3 (a)(1) that are accepted by a Federal judge or jus-
4 tice within a single year shall not exceed \$5,000.

5 (2) ADJUSTMENTS.—The amounts referenced
6 in paragraph (1) and subsection (a)(1) shall be ad-
7 justed by the 12-month percentage increase (if any)
8 in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Con-
9 sumers (or a successor index if any) based on the
10 immediately preceding 12 months for which data is
11 available.