

HB 2728 - DIGEST

Requires the rules of practice of the growth management hearings board to provide that a board member or hearing examiner must disclose to all parties to a hearing if the board member or hearing examiner has ever: (1) Been employed by, or served as a volunteer for, a party to the hearing;

(2) Provided legal representation or counsel to a party to the hearing; or

(3) Been a member of the board of directors of a party to the hearing.

Authorizes a court in reviewing a board decision, in the event that a board member fails to abide by disclosure and disqualification requirements, to do either or both of the following: (1) Invalidate and remand the decision by the board; and/or

(2) Impose sanctions or a monetary penalty on a member of the board.