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By Representative Graham

1 On page 3, line 5, after "(6)" insert "No qui tam action may be
2 brought under this chapter if substantially the same allegations or
3 transactions as alleged in the written notice required under section
4 5(1) of this act were publicly disclosed: (a) In a criminal, civil, or
5 administrative proceeding in which the agency or an aggrieved employee
6 is a party; (b) in a legislative, agency, attorney general, or other
7 state report, hearing, audit, or investigation; or (c) from a media
8 outlet of any kind, unless the person bringing the action is an
9 original source of the information.

10 (7)"

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12 Renumber the remaining subsections consecutively and correct any
13 internal references accordingly.

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EFFECT: Prohibits a qui tam action if the allegations were
publicly disclosed through specified means.

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