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**SENATE BILL 6041**

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**State of Washington 68th Legislature 2024 Regular Session**

**By** Senators Braun, Dozier, Mullet, Schoesler, Van De Wege, Wagoner, and J. Wilson

AN ACT Relating to prohibiting the provision of false or misleading information under the ethics in public service act; and adding a new section to chapter 42.52 RCW.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

NEW SECTION. **Sec.**  A new section is added to chapter 42.52 RCW to read as follows:

(1) No state officer or state employee may knowingly provide false or misleading information, or procure, induce, or coerce another person to provide false or misleading information:

(a) To the legislature, including committees and agencies of the legislature; or

(b) In an official report or document produced by an agency.

(2) Information is false or misleading under this section if it contains a material misrepresentation of fact or law or omits a fact necessary to make the information considered as a whole not materially misleading.

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