RHODE ISLAND GOVERNMENT REGISTER PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

ETHICS COMMISSION

Title of Rule: Ethics Commission (520-RICR-00-00-2)

Rule Identifier: 520-RICR-00-00-2

Rulemaking Action: Direct Final Amendment

Important Dates:

Date of Public Notice: December 23, 2025 End of Public Comment: January 22, 2026

Rulemaking Authority:

R.I. Const. art. III

sec.8

R.I. Gen. Laws § 36-14-9(a)(3)

Summary of Rulemaking Action:

These are amendments to the subsections 520-RICR-00-00-2.5 Annual Report Requests (36-14-9001); 520-RICR-00-00-2.9(B) Petition for Adoption of Regulations (1026); and 520-RICR-00-00-2.10 Adoption of Commission Policy and General Commission Advisory Opinions (1027) of regulation 520-RICR-00-00-2 entitled Ethics Commission. The amendments are intended to address changes to the citations of the Rhode Island General Laws referenced within these subsections. The changes to the citations are based on amendments made by the Rhode Island General Assembly to the referenced statutes. The Ethics Commission is not substantively amending the text of the above-referenced regulations, but rather, updating them to reflect the current state statutes enacted by the General Assembly.

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Additional Information and Public Comments:

If no formal objection is received on or before January 22, 2026, the Ethics Commission will file the Amendment and the Final Rule will take effect on this date.

Objections should be addressed to: Teodora Papa, Staff Attorney Ethics Commission 40 Fountain Street 8th Floor Providence, RI 02903 teodora.papa@ethics.ri.gov

Regulatory Analysis Summary and Supporting Documentation:

These amendments are not intended to substantively change the regulations, but rather, to update the citation of the state statutes referenced in these regulations based on amendments made by the General Assembly through the years. There is no expected cost to implement these amendments, nor is there any alternative approach that would be feasible

For full regulatory analysis or supporting documentation contact the agency staffperson listed above.