

1 **BOARD BILL NO. 126 INTRODUCED BY ALDERWOMAN DONNA BARINGER**

2 A ordinance revising prior ordinances that required certain officers and employees of
3 the City of St. Louis to disclose receipt of certain gifts and travel expenses, increasing the
4 value of gifts and travel expenses for which filing a report is required by revising Section
5 Two of Ordinance 63666 and Section One of Ordinance 65710 and containing a severability
6 clause.

7 **WHEREAS**, deletions in the prior ordinances are shown in strikethrough below and
8 additions are shown in bold.

9 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:**

10 **SECTION ONE.** Section Two of Ordinance 63666, approved March 6, 1996, is
11 hereby revised to read as follows:

12 Gift Value for Reporting.

13 A. Any Officer or Employee of the City who accepts or whose Immediate Family
14 Member accepts any Gift with a value of more than ~~Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars~~
15 ~~(\$250.00)~~ **Three Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars (\$375.00)** from any Interested Person after
16 the effective date of this ordinance shall report such gift as required by Section Three.

17 B. A Gift or Gifts totaling in value more than ~~Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars~~
18 ~~(\$250.00)~~ **Three Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars (\$375.00)** given to an Officer or Employee
19 or an Immediate Family Member at the same or substantially the same time shall be deemed
20 a single gift to the Officer or Employee or Immediate Family Member.

21 **SECTION TWO.** Section One of Ordinance 65710, approved December 10, 2002,
22 is hereby amended to read as follows:

1 Travel Expenses for Reporting.

2 On or before May 1st of each year, every elected official of the City of St. Louis shall
3 file with the City Register a travel report detailing all travel and travel related expenses in
4 excess of ~~Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250.00)~~ **Three Hundred Seventy-Five**
5 **(\$375.00)** incurred by such elected officials in their official capacity or in the conduct of City
6 business during the previous calendar year. The form for such travel reports shall be provided
7 by the Office of the Budget Director. Travel reports for the year in which this ordinance is
8 adopted shall only include those travel related expenses incurred subsequent to the
9 ordinance's effective date.

10 **SECTION THREE.** Severability Clause.

11 The provisions of this ordinance shall be severable. In the event that any provision of
12 this ordinance is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional, the
13 remaining provisions of this ordinance are valid unless the court finds the valid provisions of
14 this ordinance are so essentially and inseparably connected with, and so dependent upon, the
15 void provision that it cannot be presumed that the Board of Aldermen would have enacted
16 the valid provisions without the void ones or unless the Court finds that the valid provisions,
17 standing alone, are incomplete and incapable of being executed in accordance with the
18 legislative intent.