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Subject Whistleblower protections

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## **Overview**

This bill modifies existing protections for employees who take certain protected actions, such as reporting actual or suspected criminal activity (i.e., "whistleblowing").

## **Summary**

## **Section Description**

1 Abuse.

Defines "abuse" for purposes of section 4.

2 Fraud.

Defines "fraud" for purposes of section 4.

3 Waste.

Defines "waste" for purposes of section 4.

4 Prohibited action.

Prohibits the state or a local unit of government from firing or taking other adverse action against an employee who, in good faith, reports fraud, waste, or abuse of public funds to the employer, a governmental body, law enforcement, the Office of the Legislative Auditor, a member of the legislature, or a constitutional officer.