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**State Government Operations &  
Accountability Committee**

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**ESB 5462**

**Brief Description:** Changing the terms for nonlegislative members of the legislative ethics board.

**Sponsors:** Senators McCaslin and Kastama.

**Brief Summary of Engrossed Bill**

- Changes the terms for members of the Executive Ethics Board and for non-legislative members of the Legislative Ethics Board.

**Hearing Date:** 2/22/06

**Staff:** Kasa Tupua (786-7291).

**Background:**

The Executive Ethics Board enforces the state ethics law with respect to employees of the executive branch of government, while the Legislative Ethics Board enforces the ethics law with respect to legislators and legislative employees.

The Executive Ethics Board consists of five members appointed by the Governor:

- one classified service employee;
- one exempt state officer or state employee; and
- three citizen members.

Except for initial members and members completing partial terms, members serve a single five-year term. Staff is provided by the Office of the Attorney General.

The Legislative Ethics Board consists of nine members:

- two senators;
- two members of the House of Representatives; and
- five citizen members.

Legislative members serve two-year terms, and except for initial members and members completing partial terms, non-legislative members serve a single five-year term.

**Summary of Bill:**

Members of the Executive Ethics Board and nonlegislative members of the Legislative Ethics Board may serve two five-year terms.

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Not requested.

**Effective Date:** The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.