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Gude Asks Privacy Law For Federal Employees

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Legislation to protect Federal employees from invasion of privacy and pressure to contribute to partisan political organizations was proposed last night by State Sen. Gilbert Gude (R-Montgomery).

Charging that Government workers "are being subjected to unprecedented harrassment," he called for a "bill of rights" for them.

Gude, a candidate for the House of Representatives from Maryland's new Eighth District, said such a bill should include:

- Restriction on the use of detailed questionnaires about personal financial affairs to top political appointees and "others clearly in policy-making positions." His statement did not indicate whether members of Congress should be exempt.

- A flat ban on personality or psychological testing of employees "aside from essential medical evaluation, unless it can be affirmatively proved that such use is required for security reasons."

- Strict provisions forbidding Government agencies from influencing employees to donate to charity drives, buy

savings bonds or attend partisan dinners and receptions.

- Careful scrutiny of any proposal "to establish a Federal data operation to centralize information, whether concerning Federal employees, private individuals or private businesses, regardless of the alleged purpose of such an installation."