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Maria Lievano, aide to Commissioner Diaz, called on 6/16/05 asking whether the Commissioner should recuse himself from an item being presented to his subcommittee. A Sign Ordinance was being reviewed and voted on at his subcommittee. The ordinance, among other things, is designed to regulate the sign industry. The Commissioner's employer has a joint venture with a company that is in the sign business and has an interest in the legislation. We advised her that the Commissioner may have a voting conflict and should recuse himself. However, in light of the limited information received, we suggested to Maria that he request an opinion and provide more detailed information as to the business nature of the joint venture.