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Senate Committee on Ethics Statement

BOSTON- The Senate Committee on Ethics has previously stated that it would provide periodic updates to the public on relevant and important actions with respect to Senate Order 2228 (*order attached*), which requires the Committee to investigate "the question of the conduct of Senator Stanley C. Rosenberg and whether he violated the rules of the Senate."

The investigation is active and progressing. From the outset, the Committee has affirmed and reaffirmed its commitment to protect the identities of all those who provide information to the Special Investigator (*statements attached*). Consistent with that commitment, the Committee has structured the investigation so that it will not learn the identity of any witness or potential witness. And no names have been shared with the Committee. Today, to formalize its existing practice, the Committee unanimously adopted the following motion:

The Special Investigator and the Senate Counsel shall maintain as confidential and shall not disclose to any party, including any member of the Senate, the identity or identifying information of any victim, witness, subpoena recipient or other person who provides information to the Special Investigator or the Senate Counsel, unless the person specifically consents to being identified, or disclosure is required by judicial process or procedure.

The Committee again encourages individuals with relevant information to make use of the Special Investigator's dedicated and confidential email address and toll-free hotline. The email address is: <u>MASenateInvestigation@hoganlovells.com</u>. The toll-free number is 855-281-7775 and will be answered by Hogan Lovells staff.