

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0115

Lobbyist reporting.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Johnson, L.

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to lobbyists; providing for enforcement of
2 lobbyist reporting provisions by the secretary of state as
3 specified; providing rulemaking authority; specifying
4 lobbyist reporting requirements; and providing for an
5 effective date.

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7 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 28-7-105 is created to read:

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11 **28-7-105. Enforcement by secretary of state;**
12 **investigations; rules and regulations.**

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14 (a) The secretary of state may conduct
15 investigations, inquiries and hearings concerning the
16 provisions of this chapter.

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1 (b) The secretary of state shall accept for
2 investigation purposes from an individual, either
3 personally or on behalf of an organization or governmental
4 body, a complaint in writing stating the name of the person
5 alleged to have committed a violation of this chapter
6 setting forth the grounds for the complaint.

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8 (c) If the secretary of state determines that a
9 complaint filed under subsection (b) of this section
10 alleges facts sufficient to constitute a violation of this
11 chapter, the secretary of state shall determine whether to
12 investigate, act upon the complaint or certify his own acts
13 and records.

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15 (d) The secretary of state shall adopt and enforce
16 rules and regulations to implement the provisions of this
17 chapter.

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19 **Section 2.** W.S. 28-7-201(d) and (e) is amended to
20 read:

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22 **28-7-201. Lobbyist activity reports; contents, form**
23 **and filing requirements; penalties.**

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1 (d) Each lobbyist activity report shall contain:

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3 (i) A listing of the lobbyist's sources of
4 funding, each loan, gift, gratuity, special discount or
5 hospitality paid or given, as defined by rules and
6 regulations, to or on behalf of any legislator, state
7 elected official or state employee acting in his official
8 capacity which exceeds fifty dollars (\$50.00) in value
9 identified by date, amount and the name of the legislator,
10 state elected official or state employee;

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12 (ii) The date, location, name of the legislative
13 body invited and total expense incurred by each sponsoring
14 organization for special events, including receptions,
15 meals, entertainment, attendance at athletic events and
16 other functions, to which members of the legislature, of
17 either house of the legislature, of any committee of the
18 legislature or any regional legislative delegation have
19 been invited; and

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21 (iii) A listing of total expenditures made by
22 the lobbyist and the lobbyist's employer on lobbying
23 activities including, but not limited to, salaries and
24 benefits, fees for professional and consulting services,

1 telephone, postage, printing, copies, travel expenses,
2 meals, lodging, office equipment, rent, staff support and
3 advertising in any medium.

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5 (e) ~~Special events, including receptions, meals,~~
6 ~~entertainment, attendance at athletic events and other~~
7 ~~functions, to which members of the legislature, of either~~
8 ~~house of the legislature, of any committee of the~~
9 ~~legislature or any regional legislative delegation have~~
10 ~~been invited shall be included in the report required under~~
11 ~~this section.~~ The total expenses of activities reported
12 pursuant to this ~~subsection~~ section shall be reported by
13 event or function not by individual legislator. The report
14 shall specify the group of legislators invited but is not
15 required to specify the names of individual legislators.
16 ~~Informational publications and other printed materials used~~
17 ~~for legislative purposes are not reportable under this act.~~

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19 **Section 3.** W.S. 28-7-201(g) and (k) is repealed.

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21 **Section 4.** This act is effective July 1, 2002.

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23 (END)