

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5861

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LEGISLATURE CODE OF CONDUCT--LOBBYISTS

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Yeas 29 Nays 18

CYRUS HABIB

President of the Senate

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Yeas 97 Nays 0

FRANK CHOPP

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Approved May 21, 2019 2:51 PM

JAY INSLEE

Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Brad Hendrickson, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5861** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

BRAD HENDRICKSON

Secretary

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**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

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By Senate State Government, Tribal Relations & Elections (originally sponsored by Senators Dhingra, Rivers, Hunt, Wellman, Hasegawa, Darneille, Saldaña, Cleveland, Conway, Frockt, Keiser, Kuderer, Liias, Palumbo, Randall, and Wilson, C.)

READ FIRST TIME 02/22/19.

1 AN ACT Relating to extending respectful workplace code of conduct
2 provisions to all members of the legislative community; amending RCW
3 42.17A.600 and 42.17A.605; adding a new section to chapter 44.04 RCW;
4 adding a new section to chapter 42.17A RCW; and providing an
5 effective date.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

7 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 44.04
8 RCW to read as follows:

9 The chief clerk of the house of representatives and the secretary
10 of the senate shall develop and provide a training course for
11 registered lobbyists regarding the legislative code of conduct and
12 any policies related to appropriate conduct adopted by the senate or
13 the house of representatives.

14 **Sec. 2.** RCW 42.17A.600 and 2010 c 204 s 801 are each amended to
15 read as follows:

16 (1) Before lobbying, or within thirty days after being employed
17 as a lobbyist, whichever occurs first, a lobbyist shall register by
18 filing with the commission a lobbyist registration statement, in such
19 detail as the commission shall prescribe, that includes the following
20 information:

1 (a) The lobbyist's name, permanent business address, and any
2 temporary residential and business addresses in Thurston county
3 during the legislative session;

4 (b) The name, address and occupation or business of the
5 lobbyist's employer;

6 (c) The duration of the lobbyist's employment;

7 (d) The compensation to be received for lobbying, the amount to
8 be paid for expenses, and what expenses are to be reimbursed;

9 (e) Whether the lobbyist is employed solely as a lobbyist or
10 whether the lobbyist is a regular employee performing services for
11 his or her employer which include but are not limited to the
12 influencing of legislation;

13 (f) The general subject or subjects to be lobbied;

14 (g) A written authorization from each of the lobbyist's employers
15 confirming such employment;

16 (h) The name and address of the person who will have custody of
17 the accounts, bills, receipts, books, papers, and documents required
18 to be kept under this chapter;

19 (i) If the lobbyist's employer is an entity (including, but not
20 limited to, business and trade associations) whose members include,
21 or which as a representative entity undertakes lobbying activities
22 for, businesses, groups, associations, or organizations, the name and
23 address of each member of such entity or person represented by such
24 entity whose fees, dues, payments, or other consideration paid to
25 such entity during either of the prior two years have exceeded five
26 hundred dollars or who is obligated to or has agreed to pay fees,
27 dues, payments, or other consideration exceeding five hundred dollars
28 to such entity during the current year;

29 (j) An attestation that the lobbyist has read and completed a
30 training course provided under section 1 of this act regarding the
31 legislative code of conduct and any policies related to appropriate
32 conduct adopted by the senate or the house of representatives.

33 (2) Any lobbyist who receives or is to receive compensation from
34 more than one person for lobbying shall file a separate notice of
35 representation for each person. However, if two or more persons are
36 jointly paying or contributing to the payment of the lobbyist, the
37 lobbyist may file a single statement detailing the name, business
38 address, and occupation of each person paying or contributing and the
39 respective amounts to be paid or contributed.

1 (3) Whenever a change, modification, or termination of the
2 lobbyist's employment occurs, the lobbyist shall file with the
3 commission an amended registration statement within one week of the
4 change, modification, or termination.

5 (4) Each registered lobbyist shall file a new registration
6 statement, revised as appropriate, on the second Monday in January of
7 each odd-numbered year. Failure to do so terminates the lobbyist's
8 registration.

9 **Sec. 3.** RCW 42.17A.605 and 2010 c 204 s 802 are each amended to
10 read as follows:

11 Each lobbyist shall at the time he or she registers submit to the
12 commission a recent photograph of himself or herself of a size and
13 format as determined by rule of the commission, together with the
14 name of the lobbyist's employer, the length of his or her employment
15 as a lobbyist before the legislature, a brief biographical
16 description, and any other information he or she may wish to submit
17 not to exceed fifty words in length. The photograph ~~((and))~~,
18 information, and attestation submitted under RCW 42.17A.600(1)(j)
19 shall be published by the commission at least biennially in a booklet
20 form for distribution to legislators and the public.

21 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 42.17A
22 RCW to read as follows:

23 (1) A lobbyist who is registered under RCW 42.17A.600 before
24 December 31, 2019, is required to update the lobbyist's registration
25 materials to include the attestation required by RCW 42.17A.600(1)(j)
26 by December 31, 2019.

27 (2) The commission shall revoke the registration of any lobbyist
28 registered under RCW 42.17A.600 who does not comply with subsection
29 (1) of this section.

30 (3) The commission may not impose any other penalty on a lobbyist
31 registered under RCW 42.17A.600 for failure to comply with subsection
32 (1) of this section.

33 (4) The commission shall collaborate with the chief clerk of the
34 house of representatives and the secretary of the senate to develop a
35 process to verify that lobbyists who submit an attestation under RCW
36 42.17A.600(1)(j) have completed the training course provided under
37 section 1 of this act.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** Sections 2 and 3 of this act take effect
2 December 31, 2019.

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