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By Senator McCaslin

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1 AN ACT Relating to reporting by lobbyists; and amending RCW
2 42.17.170.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 42.17.170 and 1991 sp.s. c 18 s 2 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 (1) Any lobbyist registered under RCW 42.17.150 and any person who
7 lobbies shall file with the commission periodic reports of his or her
8 activities signed by the lobbyist. The reports shall be made in the
9 form and manner prescribed by the commission. They shall be due
10 monthly and shall be filed within fifteen days after the last day of
11 the calendar month covered by the report.

12 (2) Each such monthly periodic report shall contain:

13 (a) The totals of all expenditures for lobbying activities made or
14 incurred by such lobbyist or on behalf of such lobbyist by the
15 lobbyist's employer during the period covered by the report. Such
16 totals for lobbying activities shall be segregated according to
17 financial category, including compensation; food and refreshments;
18 living accommodations; advertising; travel; contributions; and other
19 expenses or services. Each individual expenditure of more than twenty-

1 five dollars for entertainment shall be identified by date, place,
2 amount, and the names of all persons in the group partaking in or of
3 such entertainment including any portion thereof attributable to the
4 lobbyist's participation therein, (~~without~~) and allocating any
5 portion of such expenditure (~~to individual participants~~) attributable
6 to any member of the legislature and that member's immediate family.
7 However, if the expenditure for a single hosted reception is more than
8 one hundred dollars per person partaking therein, the report shall
9 specify the per person amount, which shall be determined by dividing
10 the total amount of the expenditure by the total number of persons
11 partaking in the reception.

12 Notwithstanding the foregoing, lobbyists are not required to report
13 the following:

14 (i) Unreimbursed personal living and travel expenses not incurred
15 directly for lobbying;

16 (ii) Any expenses incurred for his or her own living
17 accommodations;

18 (iii) Any expenses incurred for his or her own travel to and from
19 hearings of the legislature;

20 (iv) Any expenses incurred for telephone, and any office expenses,
21 including rent and salaries and wages paid for staff and secretarial
22 assistance.

23 (b) In the case of a lobbyist employed by more than one employer,
24 the proportionate amount of such expenditures in each category incurred
25 on behalf of each of his or her employers.

26 (c) An itemized listing of each such expenditure in the nature of
27 a contribution of money or of tangible or intangible personal property
28 to any candidate, elected official, or officer or employee of any
29 agency, or any political committee supporting or opposing any ballot
30 proposition, or for or on behalf of any candidate, elected official, or
31 officer or employee of any agency, or any political committee
32 supporting or opposing any ballot proposition. All contributions made
33 to, or for the benefit of, any candidate, elected official, or officer
34 or employee of any agency, or any political committee supporting or
35 opposing any ballot proposition shall be identified by date, amount,
36 and the name of the candidate, elected official, or officer or employee
37 of any agency, or any political committee supporting or opposing any
38 ballot proposition receiving, or to be benefited by each such
39 contribution.

1 (d) The subject matter of proposed legislation or other legislative
2 activity or rule-making under chapter 34.05 RCW, the state
3 Administrative Procedure Act, and the state agency considering the
4 same, which the lobbyist has been engaged in supporting or opposing
5 during the reporting period.

6 (e) Such other information relevant to lobbying activities as the
7 commission shall by rule prescribe. Information supporting such
8 activities as are required to be reported is subject to audit by the
9 commission.

10 (f) A listing of each gift, as defined in RCW 42.17.020, made to a
11 state elected official or executive state officer or to a member of the
12 immediate family of such an official or officer. Such a gift shall be
13 separately identified by the date it was given, the approximate value
14 of the gift, and the name of the recipient. However, for a hosted
15 reception where the average per person amount is reported under (a) of
16 this subsection, the approximate value for the gift of partaking in the
17 event is such average per person amount. The commission shall adopt
18 forms to be used for reporting the giving of gifts under this
19 subsection (2)(f). The forms shall be designed to permit a lobbyist to
20 report on a separate form for each recipient the reportable gifts given
21 to that recipient during the reporting period or, alternatively, to
22 report on one form all reportable gifts given by the lobbyist during
23 the reporting period.

24 (3) If a state elected official or a member of such an official's
25 immediate family is identified by a lobbyist in such a report as having
26 received from the lobbyist a gift, as defined in RCW 42.17.020, the
27 lobbyist shall transmit to the official a copy of the completed form
28 used to identify the gift in the report at the same time the report is
29 filed with the commission.

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