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By Senators Sutherland and Skratek.

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1 AN ACT Relating to the public disclosure commission; and amending
2 RCW 42.17.170.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 42.17.170 and 1990 c 139 s 3 are each amended to read
5 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
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

1 totals for lobbying activities shall be segregated according to
2 financial category, including compensation; food and refreshments;
3 living accommodations; advertising; travel; contributions; and other
4 expenses or services. Each individual expenditure of more than twenty-
5 five dollars for entertainment shall be identified by date, place,
6 amount, and the names of all persons in the group partaking in or of
7 such entertainment including any portion thereof attributable to the
8 lobbyist's participation therein but without allocating any portion of
9 such expenditure to individual participants.

10 Notwithstanding the foregoing, lobbyists are not required to report
11 the following:

12 (i) Unreimbursed personal living and travel expenses not incurred
13 directly for lobbying;

14 (ii) Any expenses incurred for his or her own living
15 accommodations;

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

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

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

24 (c) An itemized listing of each such expenditure in the nature of
25 a contribution of money or of tangible or intangible personal property
26 to any candidate, elected official, or officer or employee of any
27 agency, or any political committee supporting or opposing any ballot
28 proposition, or for or on behalf of any candidate, elected official, or
29 officer or employee of any agency, or any political committee
30 supporting or opposing any ballot proposition. All contributions made

1 to, or for the benefit of, any candidate, elected official, or officer
2 or employee of any agency, or any political committee supporting or
3 opposing any ballot proposition shall be identified by date, amount,
4 and the name of the candidate, elected official, or officer or employee
5 of any agency, or any political committee supporting or opposing any
6 ballot proposition receiving, or to be benefited by each such
7 contribution. When a listing or a report of contributions is made to
8 the commission under this subsection (2)(c), a copy of the listing or
9 report must be given to the candidate, elected official, or officer or
10 employee of any agency, or any political committee supporting or
11 opposing any ballot proposition named in the listing or report.

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

17 (e) Such other information relevant to lobbying activities as the
18 commission shall by rule prescribe. Information supporting such
19 activities as are required to be reported is subject to audit by the
20 commission.