

96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2009 and 2010 HB0088

Introduced 1/14/2009, by Rep. Lou Lang

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

25 ILCS 170/5

Amends the Lobbyist Registration Act. Makes the annual registration fee \$150 for any entity qualified under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c) (now, \$150 for entities qualified under Section 501(c) (3) and \$350 for entities qualified under any other provision of Section 501(c)). Effective July 1, 2009.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Lobbyist Registration Act is amended by changing Section 5 as follows:

(25 ILCS 170/5)

- Sec. 5. Lobbyist registration and disclosure. Every person required to register under Section 3 shall before any service is performed which requires the person to register, but in any event not later than 2 business days after being employed or retained, and on or before each January 31 and July 31 thereafter, file in the Office of the Secretary of State a written statement containing the following information with respect to each person or entity employing or retaining the person required to register:
 - (a) The registrant's name, permanent address, e-mail address, if any, fax number, if any, business telephone number, and temporary address, if the registrant has a temporary address while lobbying.
 - (a-5) If the registrant is an organization or business entity, the information required under subsection (a) for each person associated with the registrant who will be lobbying, regardless of whether lobbying is a significant

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- 1 part of his or her duties.
 - (b) The name and address of the person or persons employing or retaining registrant to perform such services or on whose behalf the registrant appears.
 - (c) A brief description of the executive, legislative, or administrative action in reference to which such service is to be rendered.
 - (c-5) Each executive and legislative branch agency the registrant expects to lobby during the registration period.
 - (c-6)The nature of the client's business, indicating all of the following categories that apply: (1) banking and financial services, (2) manufacturing, (3) education, (4) environment, (5) healthcare, (6) insurance, (7) community interests, (8) labor, (9) public relations or advertising, (10) marketing or sales, (11) hospitality, (12) engineering, (13) information or technology products or services, (14) social services, (15) public utilities, (16) racing or wagering, (17) real estate or construction, (18) telecommunications, (19) trade or professional association, (20) travel or tourism, (21) transportation, and (22) other (setting forth the nature of that other business).

The registrant must file an amendment to the statement within 14 calendar days to report any substantial change or addition to the information previously filed, except that a

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registrant must file an amendment to the statement to disclose a new agreement to retain the registrant for lobbying services before any service is performed which requires the person to register, but in any event not later than 2 business days after entering into the retainer agreement.

Not later than 12 months after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly, or as soon thereafter as the Secretary of State has provided adequate software to the persons required to file, all statements and amendments to statements required to be filed shall be filed electronically. The Secretary of State shall promptly make all filed statements and amendments to statements publicly available by means of a searchable database that is accessible through the World Wide Web. The Secretary of State shall provide all software necessary to comply with this provision to all persons required to file. The Secretary of State shall implement a plan to provide computer access and assistance to persons required to file electronically.

Persons required to register under this Act prior to July 1, 2003, shall remit a single, annual and nonrefundable \$50 registration fee. All fees collected for registrations prior to July 1, 2003, shall be deposited into the Lobbyist Registration Administration Fund for administration and enforcement of this Act. Except as otherwise provided in this Section, beginning Beginning July 1, 2003, all persons other than entities qualified under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code

required to register under this Act shall remit a single, 1 2 annual, and nonrefundable \$350 registration fee. Entities required to register under this Act which are qualified under 3 Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and, beginning 5 July 1, 2009, entities required to register under this Act that are qualified under any other provision of Section 501(c) of 6 the Internal Revenue Code shall remit a single, annual, and 7 8 nonrefundable \$150 registration fee. Each individual required 9 to register under this Act shall submit, on an annual basis, a 10 picture of the registrant. A registrant may, in lieu of 11 submitting a picture on an annual basis, authorize the 12 Secretary of State to use any photo identification available in 13 any database maintained by the Secretary of State for other 14 purposes. Of each registration fee collected for registrations on or after July 1, 2003, \$50 shall be deposited into the 15 16 Lobbyist Registration Administration Fund for administration 17 and enforcement of this Act and is intended to be used to implement and maintain electronic filing of reports under this 18 19 Act, the next \$100 shall be deposited into the Lobbyist 20 Registration Administration Fund for administration and enforcement of this Act, and any balance shall be deposited 21 22 into the General Revenue Fund.

- 23 (Source: P.A. 93-32, eff. 7-1-03; 93-615, eff. 11-19-03;
- 24 93-617, eff. 12-9-03.)
- Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1,
- 26 2009.