



97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2011 and 2012

HB3610

Introduced 2/24/2011, by Rep. Jil Tracy

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

25 ILCS 170/3.2 new

Amends the Lobbyist Registration Act. Prohibits the use of public funds by a State agency, unit of local government, school district, or other governmental entity that receives public funds to contract for lobbying. Does not prohibit the use of public funds for lobbying by employees. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning State government.

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

4 Section 5. The Lobbyist Registration Act is amended by
5 adding Section 3.2 as follows:

6 (25 ILCS 170/3.2 new)

7 Sec. 3.2. Use of public funds for contract lobbyists. No
8 State agency as defined in the Illinois State Auditing Act,
9 unit of local government, school district, or other
10 governmental entity that receives public funds may expend
11 public funds for the awarding, payment, or administration of
12 any contract for lobbying performed or to be performed by any
13 person or entity required to register under this Act. Nothing
14 in this Section prohibits the expenditure of public funds for
15 the compensation or expenses of an employee of a State agency,
16 unit of local government, school district, or other
17 governmental entity who engages in lobbying under this Act on
18 behalf of his or her employer. As used in this Section, "public
19 funds" means funds appropriated by the General Assembly, a unit
20 of local government, a school district, or any other
21 governmental entity that receives public funds.

22 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon

1 becoming law.