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HOUSE BILL 418

46TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2003

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO LOBBYIST REGISTRATION; INCREASING THE LOBBYIST  
REGISTRATION FEE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. Section 2-11-3 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1977,  
Chapter 261, Section 3, as amended) is amended to read:

"2-11-3. REGISTRATION STATEMENT TO BE FILED--CONTENTS--  
MODIFICATION TO STATEMENT. --

A. In the month of January prior to each regular  
session or before any service covered by the Lobbyist  
Regulation Act commences, any individual who is initially  
employed or retained as a lobbyist shall register with the  
secretary of state by paying an annual filing fee of [~~twenty-~~  
~~five dollars (\$25.00)~~] fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each of the  
lobbyist's employers and by filing a single registration

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1 statement under oath on a prescribed form showing:

2 (1) the lobbyist's full name, permanent  
3 business address and business address while lobbying; and

4 (2) the name and address of each of the  
5 lobbyist's employers.

6 B. No registration fee shall be required of  
7 individuals receiving only reimbursement of personal expenses  
8 and no other compensation or salary for lobbying. No  
9 expenditure statement required by Section 2-11-6 NMSA 1978  
10 shall be required if the lobbyist anticipates making or  
11 incurring and makes or incurs no expenditures or political  
12 contributions under Section 2-11-6 NMSA 1978. The lobbyist  
13 shall indicate in his registration statement whether those  
14 circumstances apply to him.

15 C. For each employer listed in Paragraph (2) of  
16 Subsection A of this section, the lobbyist shall file the  
17 following information:

18 (1) a full disclosure of the sources of funds  
19 used for lobbying;

20 (2) a written statement from each of the  
21 lobbyist's employers authorizing him to lobby on the employer's  
22 behalf;

23 (3) a brief description of the matters in  
24 reference to which the service is to be rendered; and

25 (4) the name and address of the person, if

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1 other than the lobbyist or his employer, who will have custody  
2 of the accounts, bills, receipts, books, papers and documents  
3 required to be kept under the provisions of the Lobbyist  
4 Regulation Act.

5 D. For each succeeding year that an individual is  
6 employed or retained as a lobbyist by the same employer, and  
7 for whom all the information disclosed in the initial  
8 registration statement remains substantially the same, the  
9 lobbyist shall file a simple annual registration renewal in  
10 January and pay the [~~twenty-five dollar (\$25.00)~~] fifty dollars  
11 (\$50.00) filing fee for each of the lobbyist's employers  
12 together with a short, abbreviated prescribed form for renewal.

13 E. Whenever there is a modification of the facts  
14 required to be set forth by this section or there is a  
15 termination of the lobbyist's employment as a lobbyist before  
16 the end of the calendar year, the lobbyist shall notify the  
17 secretary of state within one month of such occurrence and  
18 shall furnish full information concerning the modification or  
19 termination. If the lobbyist's employment terminates at the  
20 end of a calendar year, no separate termination report need be  
21 filed."

22 Section 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. --The effective date of the  
23 provisions of this act is July 1, 2003.