

## HOUSE BILL No. 2984

By Committee on Federal and State Affairs

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9 AN ACT prohibiting certain persons from registering as lobbyists;  
10 amending K.S.A. 2005 Supp. 46-265 and repealing the existing section.  
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12 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

13 Section 1. K.S.A. 2005 Supp. 46-265 is hereby amended to read as  
14 follows: 46-265. (a) Every lobbyist shall register with the secretary of state  
15 by completing and signing a registration form prescribed and provided  
16 by the commission. Such registration shall show the name and address of  
17 the lobbyist, the name and address of the person compensating the lob-  
18 byist for lobbying, the purpose of the employment and the method of  
19 determining and computing the compensation of the lobbyist. If the lob-  
20 byist is compensated or to be compensated for lobbying by more than  
21 one employer or is to be engaged in more than one employment, the  
22 relevant facts listed above shall be stated separately for each employer  
23 and each employment. Whenever any new lobbying employment or lob-  
24 bying position is accepted by a lobbyist already registered as provided in  
25 this section, such lobbyist shall report the same on forms prescribed and  
26 provided by the commission before engaging in any lobbying activity re-  
27 lated to such new employment or position, and such report shall be filed  
28 with the secretary of state. When a lobbyist is an employee of a lobbying  
29 group or firm which contracts to lobby and not an owner or partner of  
30 such entity, the lobbyist shall report each client of the group, firm or  
31 entity whose interest the lobbyist represents. Whenever the lobbying of  
32 a lobbyist concerns a legislative matter, the secretary of state promptly  
33 shall transmit copies of each registration and each report filed under this  
34 act to the secretary of the senate and the chief clerk of the house of  
35 representatives.

36 (b) On or after October 1, in any year any person may register as a  
37 lobbyist under this section for the succeeding calendar year. Such regis-  
38 tration shall expire annually on December 31, of the year for which the  
39 lobbyist is registered. In any calendar year, before engaging in lobbying,  
40 persons to whom this section applies shall register or renew their regis-  
41 tration as provided in this section. Except for employees of lobbying  
42 groups or firms, every person registering or renewing registration who  
43 anticipates spending \$1,000 or less for lobbying in such registration year

1 on behalf of any one employer shall pay to the secretary of state a fee of  
2 \$35 for lobbying for each such employer. Except for employees of lob-  
3 bying groups or firms, every person registering or renewing registration  
4 who anticipates spending more than \$1,000 for lobbying in such registra-  
5 tion year on behalf of any one employer shall pay to the secretary of state  
6 a fee of \$300 for lobbying for such employer. Any lobbyist who at the  
7 time of initial registration anticipated spending less than \$1,000, on behalf  
8 of any one employer, but at a later date spends in excess of such amount,  
9 within three days of the date when expenditures exceed such amount,  
10 shall file an amended registration form which shall be accompanied by  
11 an additional fee of \$220 for such year. Every person registering or re-  
12 newing registration as a lobbyist who is an employee of a lobbying group  
13 or firm and not an owner or partner of such entity shall pay an annual  
14 fee of \$360. The secretary of state shall remit all moneys received under  
15 this section to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of  
16 K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such  
17 remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state  
18 treasury to the credit of the governmental ethics commission fee fund.

19 (c) Any person who has registered as a lobbyist pursuant to this act  
20 may file, upon termination of such person's lobbying activities, a state-  
21 ment terminating such person's registration as a lobbyist. Such statement  
22 shall be on a form prescribed by the commission and shall state the name  
23 and address of the lobbyist, the name and address of the person com-  
24 pensating the lobbyist for lobbying and the date of the termination of the  
25 lobbyist's lobbying activities.

26 (d) No person who has failed or refused to pay any civil penalty im-  
27 posed pursuant to K.S.A. 46-280, and amendments thereto, shall be au-  
28 thorized or permitted to register as a lobbyist in accordance with this  
29 section until such penalty has been paid in full.

30 (e) *No person who is a registered offender pursuant to the Kansas*  
31 *offender registration act shall be authorized or permitted to register as a*  
32 *lobbyist in accordance with this section.*

33 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2005 Supp. 46-265 is hereby repealed.

34 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its  
35 publication in the statute book.