Session of 2015

SENATE BILL No. 42

By Committee on Assessment and Taxation

1-21

AN ACT concerning governmental ethics; relating to use of public funds 1 2 for lobbying.

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4 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. (a) Every *person who is registered as a* lobbyist-shall file 5 with the secretary of state *shall file* a detailed report of all public funds 6 received by such lobbyist from a governmental entity. The report shall 7 include a listing of the amount of public funds paid to hire or contract for 8 9 the lobbying services of such lobbyist on a form and in the manner prescribed and provided by the governmental ethics commission. Each 10 11 report required to be filed by this section is a public record and shall be 12 open to public inspection upon request. A report shall be filed on or before 13 the 10th day of January for the reporting period containing the preceding calendar year. Such report shall disclose an itemized listing of all public 14 funds received by any such lobbyist. 15

16 (b) The reports filed with the secretary of state pursuant to subsection (a) shall be made available on a publicly searchable website by the 17 18 secretary of state.

19 (c) As used in this section:

20 (1) "Governmental entity" has the meaning as defined in K.S.A. 75-21 6102, and amendments thereto.

(2) "Lobbying" has the meaning as defined in K.S.A. 46-225, and 22 23 amendments thereto.

24 (3) "Public funds" means money appropriated by the state or any of 25 its subdivisions having the authority to levy and collect taxes.

26 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its 27 publication in the statute book.