

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

An Act to amend and reenact § 2.2-426 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Lobbyist Regulation and Disclosure Act; lobbyist reporting.

[H 2112]

Approved

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 2.2-426 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 2.2-426. Lobbyist reporting; penalty.

A. Each lobbyist shall file a separate annual report of expenditures, including gifts, for each principal for whom he lobbies by July 1 for the preceding ~~twelve~~ 12-month period complete through April 30.

B. Each principal who expends more than \$500 to employ or compensate multiple lobbyists shall be responsible for filing a consolidated lobbyist report pursuant to this section in any case in which the lobbyists are each exempt under the provisions of subdivision 7 or 8 of § 2.2-420 from the reporting requirements of this section.

C. The report shall be on a form provided by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, which shall be substantially as follows and shall be accompanied by instructions provided by the Secretary.

LOBBYIST'S DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

PART I:

(1) PRINCIPAL:.....

In Part I, item 2a, provide the name of the individual authorizing your employment as a lobbyist. The lobbyist filing this statement MAY NOT list his name in item 2a. THE INDIVIDUAL LISTED IN PART I, ITEM 2A, MUST SIGN THE PRINCIPAL'S STATEMENT.

(2a)Name:.....

(2b)Permanent Business Address:.....

(2c)Business Telephone:.....

(3) Provide a list of executive and legislative actions (with as much specificity as possible) for which you lobbied and a description of activities conducted.

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(4) INCORPORATED FILINGS: If you are filing an incorporated disclosure statement, please complete the following:

Individual filing financial information:.....

Individuals to be included in the filing:.....

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(5) Please indicate which schedules will be attached to your disclosure statement:

[] Schedule A: Entertainment Expenses

[] Schedule B: Gifts

[] Schedule C: Other Expenses

(6) EXPENDITURE TOTALS:

a) ENTERTAINMENT..... \$

b) GIFTS..... \$

c) OFFICE EXPENSES..... \$

d) COMMUNICATIONS..... \$

e) PERSONAL LIVING AND TRAVEL EXPENSES..... \$

f) COMPENSATION OF LOBBYISTS..... \$

g) HONORARIA..... \$

h) REGISTRATION COSTS..... \$

i) OTHER..... \$

55 TOTAL..... \$

56 PART II:

57 (1a)NAME OF LOBBYIST:.....

58 (1b)Permanent Business Address:.....

59 (1c)Business Telephone:.....

60 (2) As a lobbyist, you are (check one)

61 [] EMPLOYED (on the payroll of the principal)

62 [] RETAINED (not on the payroll of the principal, however compensated)

63 [] NOT COMPENSATED (not compensated; expenses may be reimbursed)

64 (3) List all lobbyists other than yourself who registered to
65 represent your principal.

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69 (4) If you selected "EMPLOYED" as your answer to Part II, item 2,
70 provide your job title.

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72 (5) If you selected "NOT COMPENSATED" as your answer to Part II, item
73 2, please indicate why you received no compensation.

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77 PLEASE NOTE: Some lobbyists are not individually compensated for lobbying
78 activities. This may occur when several members of a firm represent a
79 single principal. The principal, in turn, makes a single payment to the firm. -
80 If this describes your situation, do not answer Part II, items 6a
81 and 6b. Instead, complete Part III, items 1 and 2.

82 (6a) What was the DOLLAR AMOUNT OF YOUR COMPENSATION as a lobbyist?

83 (If you have job responsibilities other than those involving lobbying,
84 you may have to prorate to determine the part of your salary
85 attributable to your lobbying activities.) Transfer your answer to
86 this item to Part I, item 6f.

87 (6b) Explain how you arrived at your answer to Part II, item 6a.

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91 PART III:

92 PLEASE NOTE: If you answered Part II, items 6a and 6b, you WILL NOT complete
93 this section.

94 (1) List all members of your firm, organization, association, corporation,
95 or other entity who furnished lobbying services to your principal.

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99 (2) Indicate the total amount paid to your firm, organization, association,
100 corporation or other entity for services rendered. Transfer your answer
101 to this item to Part I, item 6f.....

102 SCHEDULE A

103 ENTERTAINMENT EXPENSES

104 PLEASE NOTE: Any single entertainment event included in the expense totals
105 of the principal, with a value greater than \$50, should be itemized below
106 Transfer any totals from this schedule to Part I, item 6a. (Please
107 duplicate as needed.)

108 Date and Location of Event:

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111 Description of Event:
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 114 Number of Legislative and Executive Officials Invited:
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 116 Number of Legislative and Executive Officials Attending:
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 118 Names of Legislative and Executive Officials Attending: (List names
 119 only if the average value for each person attending the event was
 120 greater than \$50.)
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 124 Food..... \$
 125 Beverages..... \$
 126 Transportation of Legislative and Executive Officials. \$
 127 Lodging of Legislative and Executive Officials..... \$
 128 Performers, Speakers, Etc..... \$
 129 Displays..... \$
 130 Rentals..... \$
 131 Service Personnel..... \$
 132 Miscellaneous..... \$
 133 TOTAL..... \$

SCHEDULE B

GIFTS

136 PLEASE NOTE: Any single gift reported in the expense totals of the
 137 principal, with a value greater than \$25, should be itemized below.
 138 (Report meals, entertainment and travel under Schedule A.) Transfer
 139 any totals from this schedule to Part I, item 6b. (Please duplicate
 140 as needed.)

141 Date	142 Description	143 Name of each	144 Cost of
145 of gift:	146 of gift:	147 legislative or	148 individual
149	150	151 executive official	152 gift:
153	154	155 who is a recipient	156
157	158	159 of a gift:	160
161	162	163	164 \$
165	166	167	168 \$
169	170	171	172 \$
173	174	175	176 \$
177	178	179	180 \$
181	182	183	184 \$
185 TOTAL COST TO PRINCIPAL.....	186	187	188 \$

SCHEDULE C

OTHER EXPENSES

154 PLEASE NOTE: This section is provided for any lobbying-related
 155 expenses not covered in Part I, items 6a - 6h. An example of an
 156 expenditure to be listed on Schedule C would be the rental of a bill
 157 box during the General Assembly session. Transfer the total from
 158 this schedule to Part I, item 6i. (Please duplicate as needed.)

159 DATE OF EXPENSE	160 DESCRIPTION OF EXPENSE	161 AMOUNT
162	163	164 \$
165	166	167 \$
168	169	170 \$
171	172	173 \$
174	175	176 \$
177	178	179 \$
180	181	182 \$

167 \$
 168 \$
 169 TOTAL "OTHER" EXPENSES \$

170 PART IV: STATEMENTS

171 Both the lobbyist and principal officer must sign the disclosure statement,
 172 attesting to its completeness and accuracy. The following items are
 173 mandatory and if they are not properly completed, the entire filing will
 174 be rejected and returned to the lobbyist:

175 (1) All signatures on the statement must be ORIGINAL in the format specified
 176 in the instructions provided by the Secretary that accompany this form.
 177 No stamps, or other reproductions of the individual's signature will be
 178 accepted.

179 (2) An individual MAY NOT sign the disclosure statement as lobbyist and
 180 principal officer.

181 STATEMENT OF LOBBYIST

182 I, the undersigned registered lobbyist, do state that the information
 183 furnished on this disclosure statement and on all accompanying attachments
 184 required to be made thereto is, to the best of my knowledge and belief,
 185 complete and accurate.

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 187 Signature of lobbyist
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 189 Date

190 STATEMENT OF PRINCIPAL

191 I, the undersigned principal (or an authorized official thereof), do
 192 state that the information furnished on this disclosure statement and on
 193 all accompanying attachments required to be made thereto is, to the best
 194 of my knowledge and belief, complete and accurate.

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 196 Signature of principal
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 198 Date

199 D. A person who signs the disclosure statement knowing it to contain a material misstatement of fact
 200 shall be guilty of a Class 5 felony.

201 E. Each lobbyist shall send to each legislative and executive official who is required to be identified
 202 by name on Schedule A or B of the Lobbyist's Disclosure Form a copy of Schedule A or B or a
 203 summary of the information pertaining to that official. Copies or summaries shall be provided to the
 204 official by ~~January 5~~ *December 15* for the preceding ~~twelve~~ 12-month period complete through
 205 ~~December 31~~ *November 30*.

206 **2. That information required to be filed by subsection E of § 2.2-786 to certain officials by**
 207 **December 15, 2005, shall cover the preceding 11 month period complete through November 30,**
 208 **2005.**