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\*\*\* Lobbyists \*\*\*

Sec. 67. 2 V.S.A. § 264 is amended to read:

§ 264. REPORTS OF EXPENDITURES, COMPENSATION, AND GIFTS;  
EMPLOYERS; LOBBYISTS

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(b) An employer shall disclose for the period of the report the following information:

(1) A total of all lobbying expenditures made by the employer in each of the following categories:

(A) ~~advertising~~ Advertising, including television, radio, print, and electronic media;

(B) ~~expenses~~ Expenses incurred for telemarketing, polling, or similar activities if the activities are intended, designed, or calculated, directly or indirectly, to influence legislative or administrative action. The report shall specify the amount, the person to whom the amount was paid, and a brief description of the activity;

(C) ~~contractual agreements in excess of \$100.00 per year or direct business relationships that are in existence or were entered into within the previous 12 months between the employer and:~~

~~(i) a legislator or administrator;~~

~~(ii) a legislator's or administrator's spouse or civil union~~

~~partner; or~~

(iii) a legislator's or administrator's dependent household member;

~~(D) the~~ The total amount of any other lobbying expenditures.

(2) The total amount of compensation paid to lobbyists or lobbying firms for lobbying. The employer shall report the name and address of each lobbyist or lobbying firm to which the employer pays compensation. It shall be sufficient to include a prorated amount based on the value of the time devoted to lobbying where compensation is to be included for a lobbyist or lobbying firm whose activities under this chapter are incidental to regular employment or other responsibilities to the employer.

(3) An itemized list of every gift the value of which is greater than \$15.00, made by or on behalf of the employer to or at the request of one or more legislators or administrative officials or a member of a legislator's or administrative official's immediate family. With respect to each gift, the employer shall report the date the gift was made, the nature of the gift, the value of the gift, the identity of any legislators or administrative officials who requested the gift, and the identity of any recipients of the gift. Monetary gifts, other than political contributions, shall be prohibited.

(4) Contractual agreements in excess of \$100.00 per year or direct business relationships that are in existence or were entered into within the previous 12 months between the employer and:

(A) a legislator or administrator;

(B) a legislator's or administrator's spouse; or

(C) a legislator's or administrator's dependent household member.

(c) A lobbyist shall disclose for the period of the report the following information:

(1) A total of all lobbying expenditures made by the lobbyist in each of the following categories:

(A) ~~advertising~~ Advertising, including television, radio, print, and electronic media;

(B) ~~expenses~~ Expenses incurred for telemarketing, polling, or similar activities if the activities are intended, designed, or calculated, directly or indirectly, to influence legislative or administrative action. The report shall specify the amount, the person to whom the amount was paid, and a brief description of the activity;

(C) ~~contractual agreements in excess of \$100.00 per year or direct business relationships that are in existence or were entered into within the previous 12 months between the lobbyist and:~~

~~(i) a legislator or administrator;~~

~~(ii) a legislator's or administrator's spouse or civil union partner; or~~

~~(iii) a legislator's or administrator's dependent household member;~~

~~(D) the~~ The total amount of any other lobbying expenditures.