

**HB5737**



**95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**State of Illinois**

**2007 and 2008**

**HB5737**

by Rep. Elizabeth Coulson

**SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:**

25 ILCS 170/2

from Ch. 63, par. 172

Amends the Lobbyist Registration Act. Applies the Act to the lobbying of members of State boards and commissions.

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**A BILL FOR**

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Lobbyist Registration Act is amended by  
5 changing Section 2 as follows:

6 (25 ILCS 170/2) (from Ch. 63, par. 172)

7 Sec. 2. Definitions. As used in this Act, unless the  
8 context otherwise requires:

9 (a) "Person" means any individual, firm, partnership,  
10 committee, association, corporation, or any other organization  
11 or group of persons.

12 (b) "Expenditure" means a payment, distribution, loan,  
13 advance, deposit, or gift of money or anything of value, and  
14 includes a contract, promise, or agreement, whether or not  
15 legally enforceable, to make an expenditure, for the ultimate  
16 purpose of influencing executive, legislative, or  
17 administrative action, other than compensation as defined in  
18 subsection (d).

19 (c) "Official" means:

20 (1) the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of  
21 State, Attorney General, State Treasurer, and State  
22 Comptroller;

23 (2) Chiefs of Staff for officials described in item

1 (1);

2 (3) Cabinet members of any elected constitutional  
3 officer, including Directors, Assistant Directors and  
4 Chief Legal Counsel or General Counsel;

5 (3.5) Members of boards and commissions created by or  
6 pursuant to the Illinois Constitution, State statute, or  
7 executive order of the Governor; and

8 (4) Members of the General Assembly.

9 (d) "Compensation" means any money, thing of value or  
10 financial benefits received or to be received in return for  
11 services rendered or to be rendered, for lobbying as defined in  
12 subsection (e).

13 Monies paid to members of the General Assembly by the State  
14 as remuneration for performance of their Constitutional and  
15 statutory duties as members of the General Assembly shall not  
16 constitute compensation as defined by this Act.

17 (e) "Lobbying" means any communication with an official of  
18 the executive or legislative branch of State government as  
19 defined in subsection (c) for the ultimate purpose of  
20 influencing executive, legislative, or administrative action.

21 (f) "Influencing" means any communication, action,  
22 reportable expenditure as prescribed in Section 6 or other  
23 means used to promote, support, affect, modify, oppose or delay  
24 any executive, legislative or administrative action or to  
25 promote goodwill with officials as defined in subsection (c).

26 (g) "Executive action" means the proposal, drafting,

1 development, consideration, amendment, adoption, approval,  
2 promulgation, issuance, modification, rejection or  
3 postponement by a State entity of a rule, regulation, order,  
4 decision, determination, contractual arrangement, purchasing  
5 agreement or other quasi-legislative or quasi-judicial action  
6 or proceeding.

7 (h) "Legislative action" means the development, drafting,  
8 introduction, consideration, modification, adoption,  
9 rejection, review, enactment, or passage or defeat of any bill,  
10 amendment, resolution, report, nomination, administrative rule  
11 or other matter by either house of the General Assembly or a  
12 committee thereof, or by a legislator. Legislative action also  
13 means the action of the Governor in approving or vetoing any  
14 bill or portion thereof, and the action of the Governor or any  
15 agency in the development of a proposal for introduction in the  
16 legislature.

17 (i) "Administrative action" means the execution or  
18 rejection of any rule, regulation, legislative rule, standard,  
19 fee, rate, contractual arrangement, purchasing agreement or  
20 other delegated legislative or quasi-legislative action to be  
21 taken or withheld by any executive agency, department, board or  
22 commission of the State.

23 (j) "Lobbyist" means any person who undertakes to lobby  
24 State government as provided in subsection (e).

25 (Source: P.A. 88-187.)