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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO LOBBYISTS.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:**

1           SECTION 1. Section 97-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by amending subsections (a) and (b) to read as follows:

3           "(a) The following persons shall file a statement of  
4 expenditures with the state ethics commission on March 31,  
5 May 31, and January 31 of each year[+] and within thirty days  
6 after sine die of any special session of the legislature:

7           (1) Each lobbyist.

8           (2) Each person who spends \$750 or more of the person's or  
9 any other person's money in any six-month period for  
10 the purpose of attempting to influence legislative or  
11 administrative action or a ballot issue by  
12 communicating or urging others to communicate with  
13 public officials; provided that any amounts expended  
14 for travel costs, including incidental meals and  
15 lodging, shall not be included in the tallying of the  
16 \$750.

17           (3) Each person who employs or contracts for the services  
18 of one or more lobbyists, whether independently or



1 jointly with other persons. If the person is an  
2 industry, trade, or professional association, only the  
3 association is the employer of the lobbyist.

4 (b) The March 31 report shall cover the period from  
5 January 1 through the last day of February. The May 31 report  
6 shall cover the period from March 1 through April 30. The  
7 January 31 report shall cover the period from May 1 through  
8 December 31 of the previous year. The report to be filed within  
9 thirty days after sine die of any special session of the  
10 legislature shall cover the period from May 1 through sine die  
11 of a special session of the legislature; provided that this  
12 report shall:

13 (1) Apply only to any expenditures and contributions that  
14 relate to any legislative action considered during  
15 that special session; and

16 (2) Include only the expenditures and contributions that  
17 relate to each legislative action considered during  
18 that special session."

19 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that  
20 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were  
21 begun before its effective date.



1 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
2 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

3 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



**Report Title:**

Lobbyists; Statement of Expenditures; Special Session

**Description:**

Requires persons who engage in lobbying during any special session to file a statement of expenditures with the state ethics commission within thirty days of sine die of that special session. Requires the statement of expenditures to cover the period from May 1 through sine die of a special session of the legislature and only include expenditures and contributions that relate to each legislative action considered during that special session. Effective 07/01/50. (SD1)

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