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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~~], the second Friday of  
6 August, and the first Monday in November of each general  
7 election year and within thirty days after adjournment sine die  
8 of any special session of the legislature:

9 (1) Each lobbyist;

10 (2) Each person who spends \$750 or more of the person's or  
11 any other person's money in any six-month period for  
12 the purpose of attempting to influence legislative or  
13 administrative action or a ballot issue by  
14 communicating or urging others to communicate with  
15 public officials; provided that any amounts expended  
16 for travel costs, including incidental meals and



1           lodging, shall not be included in the tallying of the  
2           \$750; and

3           (3) Each person who employs or contracts for the services  
4           of one or more lobbyists, whether independently or  
5           jointly with other persons. If the person is an  
6           industry, trade, or professional association, only the  
7           association is the employer of the lobbyist.

8           (b) The March 31 report shall cover the period from  
9           January 1 through the last day of February. The May 31 report  
10          shall cover the period from March 1 through April 30. The pre-  
11          primary report, filed on the second Friday of August, shall  
12          cover the period from May 1 through July 31. The pre-general  
13          election report, filed on the first Monday in November, shall  
14          cover the period from August 1 through October 31. The pre-  
15          primary and pre-general election reports shall be filed in  
16          general election years. The January 31 report shall cover the  
17          period from [~~May 1~~] November 1 through December 31 of the  
18          previous year. The report to be filed within thirty days after  
19          adjournment sine die of a special session of the legislature  
20          shall cover the period from May 1 through adjournment sine die  
21          of that special session and shall apply to and include only



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1 those expenditures and contributions that relate to legislative  
2 action considered during that special session."

3 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that  
4 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were  
5 begun before its effective date.

6 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
7 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

8 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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**Report Title:**

Lobbyists; Statement of Expenditures; Reporting

**Description:**

Requires lobbyists and specified individuals to file two additional reports to the Hawaii State Ethics Commission, including one report on the second Friday of August and one report on the first Monday of November in general election years, similarly to the filing frequency that candidate's and the treasurer of candidate committees are required to file pursuant to section 11-334, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

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