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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 97-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:
3 "**§97-1 Definitions.** When used in this chapter:
4 ~~[(1)]~~ "Administrative action" means ~~[the]~~:
5 (1) The proposal, drafting, consideration, amendment,
6 enactment, or defeat by any administrative agency of
7 any rule, regulation, or other action governed by
8 section 91-3 ~~[-]~~;
9 (2) The granting or denying by an administrative agency of
10 an application for a business or development-related
11 permit, license, or approval as required by state law;
12 or
13 (3) The procurement of goods and services through
14 contracts covered by the Hawaii public procurement
15 code.
16 ~~[(2)]~~ "Administrative agency" means a commission, board,
17 agency, or other body, or official in the state government



1 including the executive branch that is not a part of the
2 legislative or judicial branch.

3 [~~3~~] "Contribution" includes a gift, subscription,
4 forgiveness of a loan, advance, or deposit of money, or anything
5 of value and includes a contract, promise, or agreement, whether
6 or not enforceable, to make a contribution.

7 [~~4~~] "Expenditure" includes a payment, distribution,
8 forgiveness of a loan, advance, deposit, or gift of money, or
9 anything of value and includes a contract, promise, or
10 agreement, whether or not enforceable, to make an expenditure.
11 "Expenditure" also includes compensation or other consideration
12 paid to a lobbyist for the performance of lobbying services.

13 "Expenditure" excludes the expenses of preparing written
14 testimony and exhibits for a hearing before the legislature or
15 an administrative agency.

16 [~~5~~] "Legislative action" means the sponsorship, drafting,
17 introduction, consideration, modification, enactment, or defeat
18 of any bill, resolution, amendment, report, nomination,
19 appointment, or any other matter pending or proposed in the
20 legislature.

21 [~~6~~] "Lobbyist" means any individual who for pay or other
22 consideration engages in lobbying in excess of five hours in any



1 month of any reporting period described in section 97-3 or
2 spends more than \$750 lobbying during any reporting period
3 described in section 97-3.

4 ~~[-7-]~~ "Lobbying" means communicating directly or through an
5 agent, or soliciting others to communicate, with any official in
6 the legislative or executive branch, for the purpose of
7 attempting to influence legislative or administrative action or
8 a ballot issue.

9 ~~[-8-]~~ "Person" means a corporation, individual, union,
10 association, firm, sole proprietorship, partnership, committee,
11 club, or any other organization or a representative of a group
12 of persons acting in concert."

13 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
14 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

15 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2011.

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Report Title:

Lobbyists; Executive Branch; Administrative Action

Description:

Expands the lobbying laws to cover lobbying of the executive branch.

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