

Chapter 815

H.B. No. 3517

1 AN ACT

2 relating to requirements governing registration and authorized
3 activities of certain lobbyists; expanding the applicability of an
4 occupational registration.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

6 SECTION 1. Section 305.0041(a), Government Code, is amended
7 to read as follows:

8 (a) A person is not required to register under this chapter
9 in accordance with Section 305.003(a)(2) solely because the person
10 receives or is entitled to receive compensation or reimbursement
11 to:

12 (1) communicate as an employee of a vendor of a product
13 or service to a member of the executive branch concerning state
14 agency purchasing decisions that do not exceed 10 million dollars
15 involving a product, service, or service provider or negotiations
16 regarding such decisions;

17 (2) communicate as an employee of a vendor of a product
18 or service to a member of the executive branch concerning state
19 agency purchasing decisions that exceed 10 million dollars
20 involving a product, service, or service provider or negotiations
21 regarding such decisions if the compensation for the communication
22 is not totally or partially contingent on the outcome of any
23 administrative action;

24 (3) ~~communicate in a capacity other than as an~~

1 ~~employee of a vendor of a product or service to a member of the~~
2 ~~executive branch concerning state agency purchasing decisions~~
3 ~~involving a product, service, or service provider or negotiations~~
4 ~~regarding such decisions if the compensation for the communication~~
5 ~~is not totally or partially contingent on the outcome of any~~
6 ~~administrative action,~~

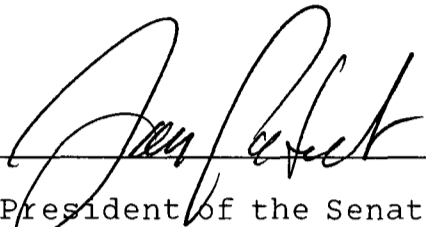
7 ~~[(4)]~~ communicate as a member of an advisory committee
8 or task force if the person is appointed to serve in that capacity
9 by a member of the legislative or executive branch; or

10 (4) ~~[(5)]~~ communicate as a member of a board, task
11 force, or advisory committee on which a member of the legislative or
12 executive branch also serves.

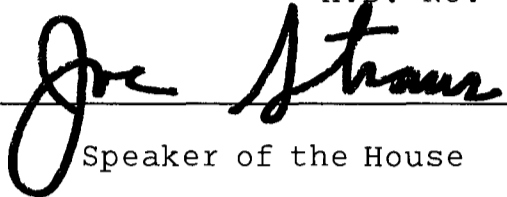
13 SECTION 2. Sections 305.022(c-1) and (c-3), Government
14 Code, are repealed.

15 SECTION 3. A person who is required to register under
16 Chapter 305, Government Code, solely as a result of the change in
17 law made by this Act to Section 305.0041(a), Government Code, is not
18 required to register under that chapter before January 1, 2016.

19 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.



President of the Senate



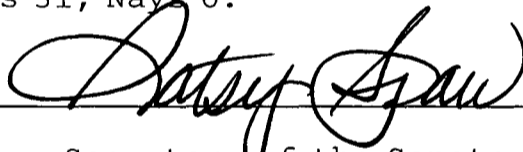
Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3517 was passed by the House on May 7, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 139, Nays 1, 2 present, not voting.



Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3517 was passed by the Senate on May 26, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.



Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: 6-11-2015

Date

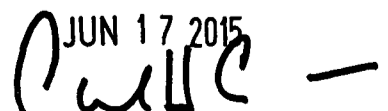


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FISCAL NOTE, 84TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 13, 2015

TO: Honorable Joan Huffman, Chair, Senate Committee on State Affairs

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB3517 by Davis, Sarah (Relating to requirements governing registration and authorized activities of certain lobbyists; expanding the applicability of an occupational registration.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Government Code related to the registration of lobbyists required to file with the Ethics Commission. The Ethics Commission indicates that any costs associated with the implementation of the bill could be absorbed within existing resources.

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TO: Honorable John Kuempel, Chair, House Committee on General Investigating & Ethics

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

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