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LEGISLATIVE BILL 663

Introduced by Kuehn, 38.

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Committee:

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Political Accountability and
- 2 Disclosure Act; to amend section 49-1480, Reissue Revised Statutes
- of Nebraska; to require a copy of a lobbying contract for
- 4 registration as a lobbyist as prescribed; and to repeal the original
- 5 section.
- 6 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

- 1 Section 1. Section 49-1480, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 2 amended to read:
- 3 49-1480 Every person employed, retained, or authorized as a lobbyist
- 4 shall, before commencing any lobbying activity, file an application with
- 5 the Clerk of the Legislature for registration as a lobbyist, and if the
- 6 clerk is satisfied that the application has been properly prepared the
- 7 registration shall be deemed to be complete. The application shall be on
- 8 a form prescribed by the clerk and approved by the Executive Board of the
- 9 Legislative Council, and shall include as a minimum the following:
- 10 (1) The name, permanent residence address, and office address of the
- 11 lobbyist;
- 12 (2) The name and address of the principal of such lobbyist;
- 13 (3) The nature of the business of such principal and the amounts or
- 14 sums given or to be given the lobbyist as compensation or reimbursement
- 15 for lobbying. A lobbyist who is salaried or retained by a principal need
- 16 only report that portion of compensation or reimbursement reasonably
- 17 attributable to lobbying;
- 18 (4) A description of the business activity of the lobbyist;
- 19 (5) An identification of the matters on which the principal or
- 20 lobbyist expects to lobby;
- 21 (6) If the principal is an industry, trade, or professional
- 22 association, a specific description of the industry, trade, or profession
- 23 represented by the principal and the names and addresses of its officers;
- 24 (7) If the principal is not an industry, trade, or professional
- 25 association, a specific description of the interests and groups
- 26 represented by the principal and the names and addresses of its officers;
- 27 and
- 28 (8) The name and address of any official in the legislative or
- 29 executive branch, and of any members of any such official's staff or
- 30 immediate family, who are employed by the lobbyist or any person acting
- 31 on behalf of such lobbyist if such information is known or reasonably

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- 1 should have been known to the lobbyist; and -
- 2 (9) If the principal receives public funds including taxes, fees,
- 3 and grants, a copy of the contract between the principal and the
- 4 <u>lobbyist.</u>
- 5 Sec. 2. Original section 49-1480, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 6 Nebraska, is repealed.