

SENATE BILL NO. 2318

Introduced by

Senator Warner

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 54-05.1-03 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to registration as a lobbyist.

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 1 of section 54-05.1-03 of the North Dakota
5 Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

6 1. Any person who shall engage or be engaged by any other person either on a
7 part-time or on a full-time basis for any of the activities listed in section 54-05.1-02,
8 shall, before doing anything in furtherance of such purposes, register with the
9 secretary of state and receive a certificate of registration and a distinctive lobbyist
10 identification badge that must be prominently worn by the lobbyist when engaged
11 in any of the activities listed in section 54-05.1-02 while on the capitol grounds. In
12 lieu of wearing the official badge provided by the secretary of state, a lobbyist may
13 wear a reasonable reproduction of the official badge that contains the name of the
14 lobbyist and any of the following: the word lobbyist, the registration number of the
15 lobbyist, or the organization name of the lobbyist in characters no smaller than
16 one-quarter inch [6.35 millimeters]. The registrant shall state in writing the
17 registrant's full name and business address, the name and address of the person
18 or persons upon whose behalf the registrant appears, all persons, corporations,
19 limited liability companies, associations, groups, or organizations in whose interest
20 the registrant appears or works, the duration of such employment or appearances,
21 and by whom the registrant is paid or is to be paid. When registering, each
22 registrant shall submit to the secretary of state a five-inch by three-inch [12.7
23 centimeter by 7.62 centimeter] photograph of the registrant or shall allow the
24 secretary of state to photograph the registrant. The secretary of state may include

1 the photograph of a registrant with any list of registrants compiled or published by
2 the secretary of state. The registration period commences on July first and expires
3 on June thirtieth of the following calendar year unless an earlier expiration date is
4 requested by the registrant. Lobbyists required to be registered shall file with the
5 secretary of state, prior to the issuance of a certificate of registration, a written
6 authorization to act as lobbyist. Such authorization must be signed by the person
7 or official of the corporation, limited liability company, association, group, or
8 organization employing such lobbyist and may be filed by facsimile transmission.
9 The secretary of state shall charge a fee of twenty dollars for registering each
10 lobbyist and the first person or entity represented by the lobbyist and an additional
11 fee of five dollars for each subsequent person or entity represented by the lobbyist.