

(Regulations of the Fair Political Practices Commission Title 2, Division 6, California Code of Regulations)

§ 18616.4. Reports by Lobbying Coalitions Which Are Lobbyist Employers; Reports by Members of Lobbying Coalitions.

(a) Definition of Lobbying Coalition. A lobbying coalition is a group of ten or more persons formed primarily to influence legislative or administrative action, whose members make payments to the coalition for the purpose of sharing the expenses of employing a lobbyist or contracting for the services of a lobbying firm. A bona fide federation, confederation or trade, labor or membership organization is not a lobbying coalition if it is ongoing in nature and its membership services are not limited to influencing legislative or administrative action. No person shall qualify as a lobbying firm or lobbyist employer solely by virtue of making payments to a lobbying coalition.

(b) Reporting by Lobbying Coalitions. A lobbying coalition shall file reports required of lobbyist employers pursuant to Government Code Section 86116. In addition, the lobbying coalition shall file with its lobbyist employer reports a form, prepared by the Commission, which discloses the following information:

(1) The name and business address of each member.

(2) The amount paid to the coalition by each member during the period covered by the report.

(3) The cumulative amount paid to the coalition by each member since January 1 of the biennial legislative session covered by the report.

(c) Reporting by Lobbying Firms and Lobbyist Employers Who are Members of a Lobbying Coalition. On a separate form which shall be attached to the filer's periodic report, a

lobbyist employer or lobbying firm who makes payments to a lobbying coalition shall report the following information:

- (1) The name and business address of the lobbying coalition.
- (2) The amount the filer paid to the coalition during the period covered by the report.
- (3) The cumulative amount the filer paid to the coalition since January 1 of the biennial

legislative session covered by the report.

In addition, a lobbyist employer who makes payments to a lobbying coalition shall report those payments as "other payments to influence legislative or administrative action" under Section 18616(f).

(d) Reporting by Persons Who Spend \$ 5,000 or More in a Calendar Quarter to Influence Legislative or Administrative Action. This section shall not eliminate reporting pursuant to Government Code Section 86115(b). A person who spends \$ 5,000 or more in a calendar quarter to influence legislative or administrative action shall report payments to a lobbying coalition in the same manner as required for lobbyist employers in subdivision (c).

Note: Authority cited: Section 83112, Government Code. Reference: Sections 86114, 86115 and 86116, Government Code.

HISTORY

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