§ 18601. Withdrawal of Lobbyist Certification or Lobbying Firm Registration.

(a) Any person who has filed a lobbyist certification or lobbying firm registration statement pursuant to Government Code Section 86100 but who is not and has not been, since filing the certification or lobbyist registration statement, a lobbying firm, as defined in Section 82038.5 and Regulation 18238.5, or a lobbyist, as defined in Section 82039 and Regulation 18239, may withdraw the certification as a lobbyist or the registration as a lobbying firm lobbyist by filing a Notice of Withdrawal as provided in this regulation.

(b) The Notice of Withdrawal shall contain an explanation of the reasons for submitting the Notice, shall be signed by the filer under penalty of perjury and shall be filed with the Secretary of State. After a valid Notice of Withdrawal has been filed, the filer is not subject to the prohibitions of Section 86203.

(c) The Franchise Tax Board shall not conduct an audit pursuant to Section 90001(a) of any person who has filed a Notice of Withdrawal, unless a determination has been made that the Notice of Withdrawal is invalid.


HISTORY

1. Amendment of section heading filed 8-27-81, operative 9-26-81, making the following changes: Section heading deleted “(86100-86300)” after “Employees”; (Register 81, No. 35).

2. Amendment of subsection (a) and section heading filed as an emergency 5-28-86, operative 5-28-86, making the following changes: In section heading “Withdrawal of Lobbyist Certification
or Lobbying Firm Registration” substituted for “Withdrawal of Lobbyist Registration”;
Subsection (a) added “certification or lobbying firm” after “filed a lobbyist,” and “certification or” after “filing the,” “a lobbying firm, as defined in Government Code Section 82038.5 and 2 Cal. Adm. Code Section 18238.5, or” after “registration statement,” “the certification as a lobbyist or the” added after “may withdraw” and “lobbying firm” after “registration as a”; Certificate of Compliance must be transmitted no later than 9-25-86, or emergency language will be repealed by operation of law (Gov. C. § 11346.1(g); Register 86, No. 22).


4. Editorial correction of History 2 (Register 95, No. 17).

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7. Amendment of subsection (b) filed 11-10-2021; operative 12-10-2021 pursuant to Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2, section 18312(e). Submitted to OAL for filing pursuant to *Fair Political Practices Commission v. Office of Administrative Law*, 3 Civil C010924, California Court of Appeal, Third Appellate District, nonpublished decision, April 27, 1992 (FPPC regulations only subject to 1974 Administrative Procedure Act rulemaking requirements and not subject to procedural or substantive review by OAL) (Register 2021, No. 46).