

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

**§ 18626. Contingency Fees Prohibition.**

(a) For purposes of Section 86205, subdivision (f), the phrase “any payment in any way contingent” means every type of payment, including payment of a fee, salary, bonus, commission or any other form of compensation, which payment is dependent to any degree on the defeat, enactment, or outcome of any proposed legislative or administrative action.

(b) A contract for lobbying services does not, in itself, violate Section 86205(f) if it expressly states the agreed upon terms of all compensation to be received in return for those lobbying services and does not make the agreed upon payment dependent to any degree, directly or indirectly, on a specific outcome of the proposed legislative or administrative action for which the lobbying services are to be rendered.

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NOTE: Authority cited: Section 83112, Government Code. Reference: Section 86205, Government Code.

**HISTORY**

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