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Lobbyists' Reporting of Campaign Contributions

The following rules apply to reporting political campaign contributions on Lobbyist Activity Reports:

1. Only report political campaign contributions made to candidates for state -- not local, municipal, county or federal -- election campaigns.
2. Only report contributions made by the lobbyist and not contributions made by individuals or companies which employ the lobbyist to lobby on their behalf.
3. Report campaign contributions if made by a lobbyist's spouse or a dependent family member from a joint banking account on which the lobbyist is named.
4. Only report the total amount of the campaign contributions on the Lobbyist Activity Report under the section entitled "Political Campaign Contributions." There is no requirement that a lobbyist list the names of individuals to whom he or she made a campaign contribution.
5. Only report campaign contributions made to individuals who currently are elected or appointed public officials. Lobbyists need to report campaign contributions to someone who does not currently hold an elected or appointed public office or is not employed by a public agency only when the person wins the general election and the lobbyist makes a contribution to help him or her retire a campaign debt.

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