

Redlined Rule Language to Potentially be Modified

Rule language to be added or struck based on the proposed language approved by the Board in June 2024 is in black, and underlined or marked with a ~~strike-through line~~, respectively. Rule language to be added or struck based on modifications to that language is in red, and underlined or marked with a ~~strike-through line~~, respectively

CHAPTER 4501, GENERAL PROVISIONS

4501.0100 DEFINITIONS.

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Subp. 4. **Compensation.** "Compensation" means every kind of payment for labor or personal services, including any amount withheld by an employer for the payment of income tax. Compensation does not include payments ~~of Social Security for Federal Insurance Contributions Act taxes, unemployment compensation taxes, insurance, or benefits,~~ workers' compensation insurance or benefits, disability insurance or benefits, life insurance, health care insurance or benefits, retirement benefits, or pension benefits.

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CHAPTER 4511, LOBBYIST REGISTRATION AND REPORTING

4511.0100 DEFINITIONS.

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Subp. 5a. **Pay or consideration for lobbying.** "Pay or consideration for lobbying" means the gross compensation paid to an individual for lobbying. An individual whose job responsibilities do not include lobbying, and who has not been directed or requested to lobby on an issue by their employer, does not receive pay or consideration for lobbying they undertake on their own initiative.

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4511.0200 REGISTRATION.

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Subp. 2a. **Registration threshold.** An individual must register as a lobbyist with the board upon the earlier of when:

A. the individual receives total pay or consideration from all sources that exceeds \$3,000 in a calendar year for the purpose of lobbying or from a business whose primary source of revenue is derived from facilitating government relations or government affairs services if the individual's job duties include offering direct or indirect consulting or advice that helps the business provide those services to clients. The pay or consideration for lobbying for an individual whose job duties include both lobbying and functions unrelated to lobbying is determined by multiplying the ~~gross~~ compensation of the individual by the percentage of the individual's work time spent lobbying in the calendar year; or

B. the individual spends more than \$3,000 of their own funds in a calendar year for the purpose of lobbying. Membership dues paid by the individual, and expenses for transportation, lodging, and meals used to support lobbying by the individual, are not costs that count toward the \$3,000 expenditure threshold that requires registration.

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4511.1100 MAJOR DECISION OF NONELECTED LOCAL OFFICIALS.

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Subp. 2. **Actions that are a major decision regarding public funds.** A major decision regarding the expenditure or investment of public money includes but is not limited to a decision on:

A. the development and ratification of operating and capital budgets of a political subdivision, including development of the budget request for an office or department within the political subdivision;

B. whether to apply for or accept state or federal funding or private grant funding;

C. selecting recipients for government grants from the political subdivision; or

D. ~~tax abatement, tax increment financing, or~~ expenditures on public infrastructure, used to support private housing or business developments.

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