

Utah Changes Lobbying Reporting Requirement

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On March 13, 2007, Utah Governor Huntsman signed former S.B. 246 into law. The law, which becomes effective on April 30, 2007, makes several changes to Utah's lobbyist reporting requirements.

Most importantly, the law changes the frequency of lobbyist filings. Starting April 30, lobbyists (and lobbyist principals, if necessary) must file reports quarterly. Such reports are due on April 10, July 10, October 10, and January 10 of each year.

In addition, lobbyists must itemize all gifts to public officials for the cost or value of admission to a professional or collegiate sporting event, regardless of the value of the tickets. Moreover, among other things, itemization on the lobbyist reports for food and beverage begins at \$50 per day, as does itemization for other expenditures other than tangible personal property.

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