

House Amends Charity Event Gift Rule

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In Roll Call No. 416 on May 24, 2007, the House approved House Resolution 437, which, among other things, set the rules for the consideration of HR 2316, the House lobbying reform measure. The resolution also contained, as section 4, a provision that made the charity event exception applicable to lobbyists and entities that retain or employ lobbyists.

Subsequently, the House Committee on Standards of Official Conduct issued updated guidance about the entirety of the new gift rules, revising the section on the charity event exception. This June 14 memorandum can be found at http://www.house.gov/ethics/m_gift_rule_amendments_revised_06_07.htm.

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