THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 1098 Session of 2024

INTRODUCED BY PHILLIPS-HILL, COLEMAN, L. WILLIAMS AND J. WARD, MARCH 11, 2024

REFERRED TO STATE GOVERNMENT, MARCH 11, 2024

AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 65 (Public Officers) of the Pennsylvania
- 2 Consolidated Statutes, in lobbying disclosure, further
- providing for prohibited activities.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Section 13A07 of Title 65 of the Pennsylvania
- 7 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding subsections to read:
- 8 § 13A07. Prohibited activities.
- 9 * * *
- 10 (q) Influence. -- A Commonwealth entity or agency, including
- 11 the General Assembly or a member of the General Assembly, an
- 12 executive department or agency or a local department or agency
- 13 <u>of a political subdivision, may not hire a lobbyist, lobbying</u>
- 14 firm or political consultant to influence the decision-making
- 15 process of another Commonwealth entity or agency. Nothing in
- 16 this subsection shall be construed to prohibit any member,
- 17 officer or employee of a Commonwealth entity or agency from
- 18 being a member of an association.

1	(h) Lobbying agreements
2	(1) A Commonwealth entity or agency, including the
3	General Assembly or a member of the General Assembly, the
4	judiciary or an executive department or agency, may not do
5	any of the following:
6	(i) Enter into an agreement or a contract with a
7	person to engage in the practice of lobbying.
8	(ii) Expend money for a person to lobby on behalf of
9	the agency unless the person is an employee of the
10	agency.
11	(iii) Expend money for a registered lobbyist to
12	serve on a board or commission of the Commonwealth entity
13	or agency.
14	(2) This subsection shall not apply to a person who is
15	an employee of the Commonwealth and directly employed by an
16	agency for whom the person acts as a lobbyist or engages in
17	the practice of lobbying as a part of the person's job
18	description.
19	Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.