

1-1 By: Davis of Harris (Senate Sponsor - Huffman) H.B. No. 3517
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 11, 2015;
 1-3 May 12, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on State
 1-4 Affairs; May 21, 2015, reported favorably by the following vote:
 1-5 Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 21, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to requirements governing registration and authorized
 1-20 activities of certain lobbyists; expanding the applicability of an
 1-21 occupational registration.

1-22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-23 SECTION 1. Section 305.0041(a), Government Code, is amended
 1-24 to read as follows:

1-25 (a) A person is not required to register under this chapter
 1-26 in accordance with Section 305.003(a)(2) solely because the person
 1-27 receives or is entitled to receive compensation or reimbursement
 1-28 to:

1-29 (1) communicate as an employee of a vendor of a product
 1-30 or service to a member of the executive branch concerning state
 1-31 agency purchasing decisions that do not exceed 10 million dollars
 1-32 involving a product, service, or service provider or negotiations
 1-33 regarding such decisions;

1-34 (2) communicate as an employee of a vendor of a product
 1-35 or service to a member of the executive branch concerning state
 1-36 agency purchasing decisions that exceed 10 million dollars
 1-37 involving a product, service, or service provider or negotiations
 1-38 regarding such decisions if the compensation for the communication
 1-39 is not totally or partially contingent on the outcome of any
 1-40 administrative action;

1-41 ~~(3) [communicate in a capacity other than as an~~
 1-42 ~~employee of a vendor of a product or service to a member of the~~
 1-43 ~~executive branch concerning state agency purchasing decisions~~
 1-44 ~~involving a product, service, or service provider or negotiations~~
 1-45 ~~regarding such decisions if the compensation for the communication~~
 1-46 ~~is not totally or partially contingent on the outcome of any~~
 1-47 ~~administrative action;~~

1-48 ~~[(4)]~~ communicate as a member of an advisory committee
 1-49 or task force if the person is appointed to serve in that capacity
 1-50 by a member of the legislative or executive branch; or

1-51 (4) ~~[(5)]~~ communicate as a member of a board, task
 1-52 force, or advisory committee on which a member of the legislative or
 1-53 executive branch also serves.

1-54 SECTION 2. Sections 305.022(c-1) and (c-3), Government
 1-55 Code, are repealed.

1-56 SECTION 3. A person who is required to register under
 1-57 Chapter 305, Government Code, solely as a result of the change in
 1-58 law made by this Act to Section 305.0041(a), Government Code, is not
 1-59 required to register under that chapter before January 1, 2016.

1-60 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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