

HB 1494 -- Lobbyists of Entities Receiving State Funds

Sponsor: Schoeller

Beginning January 1, 2013, this bill requires any entity that receives state funds to publish a public notice in a newspaper of general circulation listing the name and compensation received by each registered lobbyist employed by the entity and also the names and dues paid to any other entity or organization with which there is a membership relation consisting in part of the payment of membership dues. Publication of this notice must occur by December 31 of each year in which state funds are accepted. An individual receiving state funds for the purpose of tax rebates, salaries, or payments on bonds will be exempt from the provisions of the bill; and private associations or business organizations will not be required to publish any membership lists or any notice of their membership relationships with any other entity, organization, or individual. All information required to be published under these provisions must be reported to and published on the Missouri Accountability Portal. Failure to publish a public notice will be punishable by a civil fine of up to \$1,000.