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# **HOUSE BILL NO. 1910**

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## AN ACT

To repeal section 105.478, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to lobbying, with penalty provisions.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 105.478, RSMo, is repealed and two new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 105.478 and 105.499, to read as follows:

105.478. Any person guilty of knowingly violating any of the provisions of sections 105.450 to [105.498] 105.499 shall be punished as follows:

- 3 (1) For the first offense, such person is guilty of a class B misdemeanor;
- 4 (2) For the second and subsequent offenses, such person is guilty of a class E felony.

105.499. 1. For purposes of this section, the following terms shall mean:

- 2 (1) "Expenditure", the same as defined in section 105.470;
  - (2) "Local government", a county, city, town, or village of any type;
- 4 (3) "Political subdivision", a special district of any type, but shall not include 5 state agencies.
- 2. Any individual or organization that acts, or is employed, for the purpose of 7 attempting to influence any action by a local government or political subdivision official shall provide an annual report of expenditures made to such local government or 9 political subdivision and shall also report any moneys received from such local government or political subdivision, including contractual payments of any type for work or services provided by the individual or organization.

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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3. The report shall be filed with the governing body of the local government or political subdivision to which expenditures were made or moneys were received. The report shall be considered a public record under chapter 610.

- 4. Any individual who files an expenditure report under section 105.470 or other provisions of this chapter may incorporate by reference such report for the purposes of a filing under this section.
- 5. The requirements of this section are in addition to any other duties or requirements under this chapter and shall not be interpreted to excuse any obligation by elected local government officials, lobbyists, or others for whom conflict of interest obligations under this chapter may apply.
- 6. Beginning January 1, 2023, the requirements of this section shall apply to individuals acting, or employed, for the purpose of influencing local governments or political subdivisions for a five-year period prior to each annual filing period thereafter except that, no report shall require information on activities prior to January 1, 2023. The first report shall be due no later than January 1, 2024, and each year thereafter.

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