

New York State Joint Commission on Public Ethics

# Reform C

This proposal would amend subdivision 1-s of article 1-a of the Legislative Law by adding new paragraphs (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f) to create a mandatory electronic filing system administered by the Commission for all lobbyist, client, and public corporation registration statements and reports.

Subdivision 1-s of article 1-a of the legislative law is amended by adding new paragraphs (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f) to read as follows:

**§1-s. Public access to records; format of records and reports.**

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- (a) The commission shall make information furnished by lobbyists and clients available to the public for inspection and copying in electronic and paper formats. Access to such information shall also be made available for remote computer users through the internet network.
- (b) Beginning with the statement of registration and reports due in calendar year two thousand nineteen, all registration statements and reports must be submitted on the electronic filing system administered by the joint commission on public ethics.
- (c) An individual may submit a registration statement or report on a form supplied by the commission with a written attestation from a physician or other health provider indicating that the individual has a disability or infirmity preventing the individual from completing the registration statement or report on the electronic filing system provided by the commission.
- (d) Any individual required to file a statement pursuant to this section may request from the joint commission on public ethics access to an electronic computer terminal to file the statement.
- (e) An individual who requests access to an electronic computer terminal pursuant to paragraph (d) of this subsection must be provided such access within two business days of submitting the request.
- (f) No individual shall be deemed to not have timely filed a registration statement or report if access to an electronic computer terminal was not available as provided in paragraph (e) of this subsection.