

# NEW YORK STATE JOINT COMMISSION ON PUBLIC ETHICS

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## Statutory Filings

### **\*\*COURTESY REMINDER\*\***

**2012 July/August Lobbyist and Public Corporation Bi-monthly Reports are due September 17, 2012,**

**2012 July/August Disbursement of Public Monies Reports are due September 17, 2012, and**

#### **New Disclosure Requirement**

#### **2012 Filing Requirements – Lobbyist and Public Corporation Bi-monthly Reports:**

All lobbyists and public corporations are required to file bi-monthly reports. There is NO minimum requirement for filing. All bi-monthly reports are required to be filed for a registration period, unless the registration has been terminated. If in fact your lobbying agreement/authorization has terminated, you are required to comply with the bi-monthly reporting requirements up to the date that lobbying activity ceased.

#### **New Disclosure Requirement:**

Under section 1-h(c)(4) of the Lobbying Act, certain lobbyists and clients are now required to disclose "Source of Funding" for their lobbying activity.

The form to report the "Source of Funding" information will be made available as soon as the relevant regulations are promulgated. All required filers should maintain their records in order to be able to file as soon as the "Source of Funding" form is available.

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#### **2012 Filing Requirements – Lobbyist Disbursement of Public Monies Reports:**

Any lobbyist required to file a Statement of Registration with the Commission who in any lobbying year reasonably anticipates that during the year they will expend, incur or receive combined reportable compensation and expenses in an amount in excess of \$5,000 in connection with any attempts to influence a determination by a public official, or by a person or entity working in cooperation with a public official, with respect to the solicitation, award or administration of a grant, loan, or agreement involving the disbursement of public monies in excess of \$15,000 other than a governmental procurement as defined in Section 1-c, will be required to file a NYS Lobbyist Disbursement of Public Monies Report. (Lobbying Act Section 1-l)

The reports are to be filed only by registered lobbyists, including public corporations. The threshold relates only to compensation and expenses attributable to the activities described above, and is in addition to and separate from the similar threshold for lobbyist registration.

These separate reports are required to be filed in accordance with the same schedule applicable to the filing of bi-monthly reports. Unlike Lobbyist and Public Corporation Bi-monthly Reports required by Sections 1-h and 1-i, the NYS Lobbyist Disbursement of Public Monies Reports are required to be filed only for bi-monthly reporting periods during which the lobbyist has made any attempts to influence a public official with respect to disbursement of public monies, or receives compensation or reimbursement of expenses for such activities.

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All lobbyists filing online should carefully review their submissions to ensure all information is accurate prior to submitting their reports.

Timely reports are those that are received in the Commission's office on or before the due date.

All Commission reporting forms and instructions are available on the Commission's website. Always check our website for the most up-to-date information and latest forms at [www.jcope.ny.gov](http://www.jcope.ny.gov).

If you have any questions regarding reporting requirements, or the online filing system, you may contact Commission staff at (518) 408-3976.