

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
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HOUSE BILL 1192

Short Title: Legislator No Influence Selection of Lobbyist. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Blust; and Starnes.

Referred to: Ethics, if favorable, Judiciary I.

April 8, 2009

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO PROHIBIT LEGISLATORS FROM INFLUENCING THE SELECTION OF  
3 LOBBYISTS.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 120C-304 reads as rewritten:

6 "**§ 120C-304. Restrictions.**

7 (a) No legislator or former legislator may register as a lobbyist under this Chapter:

8 (1) While in office.

9 (2) Before the later of the close of the session in which the legislator served or  
10 six months after leaving office.

11 (b) No public servant or former public servant as defined in G.S. 138A-3(30)a. may  
12 register as a lobbyist while in office or within six months after leaving office.

13 (c) No person serving as a public servant as defined in G.S. 138A-3(30)c. may register  
14 as a lobbyist under this Chapter within six months after separation from employment.

15 (d) No individual registered as a lobbyist under this Chapter shall serve as a treasurer as  
16 defined in G.S. 163-278.6(19) or an assistant campaign treasurer for a political committee for  
17 the election of a member of the General Assembly or a Constitutional officer of the State.

18 (e) A lobbyist shall not be eligible for appointment by a State official to, or service on,  
19 any body created under the laws of this State that has regulatory authority over the activities of  
20 a person that the lobbyist currently represents or has represented within 120 days after the  
21 expiration of the lobbyist's registration representing that person. Nothing herein shall be  
22 construed to prohibit appointment by any unit of local government.

23 (f) Any appointment or registration made in violation of this section shall be void.

24 (g) No legislator or agent of the legislator may knowingly influence or knowingly  
25 attempt to influence the selection of a lobbyist as defined in G.S. 120C-100(a)(10)b. or c."

26 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective January 1, 2010.

