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NEIL ABERCROMBIE GOVERNOR

## GOV. MSG. NO. 1334

July 7, 2014

The Honorable Donna Mercado Kim, President and Members of the Senate Twenty-Seventh State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 The Honorable Joseph M. Souki, Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives Twenty-Seventh State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Kim, Speaker Souki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on July 7, 2014, the following bill was signed into law:

SB2629 SD1 HD1

RELATING TO LOBBYISTS ACT 224 (14)

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NEIL ABERCROMBIE Governor, State of Hawaii

Approved by the Governor JUL 7 2014 on \_\_\_\_\_\_ THE SENATE TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE, 2014 STATE OF HAWAII



## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO LOBBYISTS.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 Section 97-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is SECTION 1. 2 amended by amending subsections (a) and (b) to read as follows: 3 The following persons shall file a statement of "(a) 4 expenditures with the state ethics commission on March 31, May 5 31, and January 31 of each year [+] and within thirty days after adjournment sine die of any special session of the legislature: 6 7 Each lobbyist [-]; (1)8 (2)Each person who spends \$750 or more of the person's or 9 any other person's money in any six-month period for the purpose of attempting to influence legislative or 10 administrative action or a ballot issue by 11 12 communicating or urging others to communicate with 13 public officials; provided that any amounts expended 14 for travel costs, including incidental meals and lodging, shall not be included in the tallying of the 15 16 \$750 [-]; and

17 (3) Each person who employs or contracts for the services
18 of one or more lobbyists, whether independently or SB2629 HD1 HMS 2014-2578

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1 jointly with other persons. If the person is an industry, trade, or professional association, only the 2 3 association is the employer of the lobbyist. The March 31 report shall cover the period from 4 (b) January 1 through the last day of February. The May 31 report 5 shall cover the period from March 1 through April 30. 6 The 7 January 31 report shall cover the period from May 1 through 8 December 31 of the previous year. The report to be filed within 9 thirty days after adjournment sine die of a special session of 10 the legislature shall cover the period from May 1 through 11 adjournment sine die of that special session and shall apply to 12 and include only those expenditures and contributions that 13 relate to legislative action considered during that special 14 session." 15 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that 16 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were begun before its effective date. 17 18 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed

19 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

20 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

APPROVED this 7 day of JUL , 2014

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII