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## **Lobbyists Registered in 2018 – Annual Filers LOBBY ACTIVITIES REPORT (not lobby registration) due: January 10, 2019**

**REPORT DUE JANUARY 10, 2019:** Lobbyists registered in 2018 must file a LOBBY ACTIVITIES REPORT no later than January 10. If you have not filed a monthly report this calendar year, the annual LOBBY ACTIVITIES REPORT must cover the period of January 1 through December 31, 2018. If you have already filed a monthly report for this calendar year, the annual LOBBY ACTIVITIES REPORT covers the period that begins the day after the last day covered by your most recently filed monthly report through December 31. The annual LOBBY ACTIVITIES REPORT must be filed *even if you had no activity during the reporting period*. You may file the report any time beginning January 1, 2019, and no later than January 10, 2019. A LOBBY ACTIVITIES REPORT is different from a 2019 lobby registration. If you do not timely file a LOBBY ACTIVITIES REPORT, you may be liable for a minimum \$500 late-filing penalty.

**ELECTRONIC FILING:** LOBBY ACTIVITIES REPORTS must be filed electronically. For information about electronic filing, go to [https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/whatsnew/elf\\_info\\_lobby.htm](https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/whatsnew/elf_info_lobby.htm) on our website. When you file electronically, note that a report HAS NOT been filed unless you receive a confirmation number.

**TIMELY FILING:** A report transmitted using our filing application is considered timely filed if it is successfully transmitted in the correct format by midnight, Central Time Zone, on the date of the filing deadline.

**LATE-FILING PENALTY:** The minimum late-filing penalty for a LOBBY ACTIVITIES REPORT is \$500.

**FILING SCHEDULES AND MORE:** Future deadlines are listed on the filing schedules located at [https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/schedule/filing\\_schedules.htm](https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/schedule/filing_schedules.htm) on our website. Also on our website are forms, instructions, filing guides, and other information that you may find useful.