Lobby Registration Renewal for 2025 begins December 1, 2024

LOBBY REGISTRATION RENEWAL FOR 2025: The lobby registration fee is \$750 for most registrants plus the non-refundable electronic payment service fee of \$17.13 for credit card transactions. For registrants representing only organizations exempt from federal income tax under Sec. 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), or 501(c)(6), Internal Revenue Code of 1986, the fee is \$150 plus the non-refundable electronic payment service fee of \$3.63 for credit card transactions. There is no service fee for payments made by electronic check (ACH) or by personal/business check.

ELECTRONIC FILING: Lobby registrations and lobby activity reports must be filed electronically. For information about electronic filing, go to *https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/filinginfo/lobby* on our website.

FILING SCHEDULES AND MORE: Lobby registrations for 2025 may be filed beginning December 1, 2024. Future deadlines are located at https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/filinginfo/schedules/filing_schedules.php on our website are forms, instructions, filing guides, and other information that you may find useful.

CHANGES TO THE 2025 REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS: Lobby registrations for 2025 have two changes that may affect you:

- 1) The compensation/reimbursement threshold is increasing from \$1,870 to \$1,930. The expenditure threshold is increasing from \$940 to \$970. This means, for 2025, a person must register as a lobbyist if that person either:
 - Receives, or is entitled to receive under an agreement under which the person is retained or employed, compensation or reimbursement of <u>more than \$1,930 in a calendar quarter</u> to lobby. This does not include reimbursement for the person's own travel, food, lodging, or membership dues.

OR

- Makes expenditures of <u>more than \$970 in a calendar quarter</u> to lobby. This does not include expenditures for the person's own travel, food, lodging, or membership dues.
- 2) The annual compensation and reimbursement thresholds have been adjusted for inflation and are effective for lobby activities occurring in 2025.

compAmountCd	2025
Import Code*	Compensation Range
LOBBCOMPEQZERO	\$0.00
LOBBCOMP01	Less than \$22,240
LOBBCOMP02	\$22,240 - \$55,609.99
LOBBCOMP03	\$55,610 - \$111,219.99
LOBBCOMP04	\$111,220 - \$222,439.99
LOBBCOMP05	\$222,440 - \$333,659.99
LOBBCOMP06	\$333,660 - \$444,879.99
LOBBCOMP07	\$444,880 - \$556,099.99
LOBBCOMP08	\$556,100 - \$667,319.99
LOBBCOMP09	\$667,320 - \$778,539.99
LOBBCOMP10	\$778,540 - \$889,759.99
LOBBCOMP11	\$889,760 - \$1,000,979.99
LOBBCOMP12	\$1,000,980 - \$1,112,199.99
LOBBCOMP13	\$1,112,200 or more
LOBBCOMPEXACTAMT	Exact Amount

^{*} If you import your clients into your Lobby registration, you must enter the compAmountCd codes listed in column 1 of the above table into your csv file.