Procurement Lobbying and Pay-to-Play

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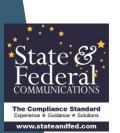
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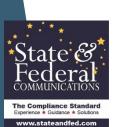
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The following states require registration and/or reporting for procurement lobbying:

- Alabama
- Arizona
- Arkansas
- Connecticut
- Delaware
- Florida
- Georgia
- Idaho
- Illinois
- Indiana

- Kansas
- Kentucky
- Louisiana
- Maryland
- Massachusetts
- Michigan
- Mississippi
- Missouri
- New Hampshire
- New Jersey

- New York
- North Carolina
- Oklahoma
- Ohio
- Pennsylvania
- Rhode Island
- Tennessee
- **Texas**
- Vermont
- Virginia
- Washington





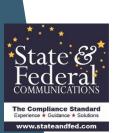
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Cities and counties may also require registration and/or reporting for procurement lobbying.

- Annapolis, MD
- Atlanta, GA
- Baltimore, MD
- Baton Rouge, LA
- Broward County, FL
- Buffalo, NY
- Chicago, IL
- Cuyahoga County, OH
- Denver, CO

- DuPage County, FL
- Fort Lauderdale, FL
- Indianapolis/Marion County, IN
- Jersey City, NJ
- Las Vegas, NV
- Los Angeles, CA
- Los Angeles County, CA
 - Miami, FL

- New Orleans, LA
- New York, NY
- Omaha, NE
- Orange County, CA
- Phoenix, AZ
- Portland, OR
- Sacramento, CA
- San Diego, CA
- St. Louis, MO







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Blackout Periods: There may be blackout periods during the procurement process, where lobbying contacts are prohibited. If violated, this may result in disqualification from state or local procurement opportunities.

- □ Alabama
- Arkansas
- Florida
- Georgia
- Iowa
- Maryland
- Massachusetts
- Montana

- Nebraska
- New Jersey
- New Mexico
- New York
- North Carolina
- North Dakota
- □ Ohio
- Oklahoma

- Oregon
- **Pennsylvania**
- Rhode Island
- Utah
- Vermont
- **Virginia**
- West Virginia
- Wyoming





Life Cycle of a Contract

Obtaining the Contract:

Lobbying Implications

Servicing the Contract:

Usually not considered lobbying

Renewing the Contract:

Lobbying Implications





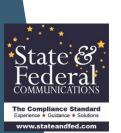
Assessment: Are you a procurement lobbyist?

Identify high risk states

- Where are you most active?
- Where do you have contracts up for renewal?
- Work with legal department to create database of all existing contracts

Possible Outcomes

- Must register as a lobbyist immediately
- May need to register in the future and must track activities
- Will not need to register as a lobbyist, based upon the current law and current activities





Pay-to-Play

The practice of awarding contracts based upon political contributions or solicitations made to or on behalf of public officials who are in a position to award business.





Pay-to-Play: Scope of Coverage

RESTRICTIONS on CONTRIBUTIONS:	DISCLOSURE of CONTRIBUTIONS:
California	California
Connecticut	Connecticut
Florida	Florida
Georgia	Georgia
Hawaii	Illinois
Illinois	Iowa
Indiana	Kentucky
Kentucky	Maryland
Louisiana	New Hampshire
Michigan	New Jersey
Missouri	New Mexico
Nebraska	Pennsylvania
New Hampshire	Rhode Island
New Jersey	
New Mexico	
Ohio	
Pennsylvania	
Rhode Island	
South Carolina	
Texas	
Vermont	
Virginia	
Washington	
West Virginia	
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Pay-to-Play: Scope of Coverage

Any of the following are subject to pay-to-play laws depending upon the jurisdiction:

- Corporation
- Subsidiaries/Affiliated Entities/Parent Company
- Corporate PAC
- Board of Directors
- Officers/Partners/Directors
- Employees dealing with the state agency
- All employees
- Spouses and children of any of these





Why implement a program?

- Strengthen brand and reputation
- Avoid debarment, fines, penalties, and negative publicity
- Ensure maximum growth opportunities
- Companies ahead of the curve will be best positioned to earn new business in a more regulated environment





Engage the relevant parties

- Business units handling government contracts
- Executives and directors
- Legal and compliance department
- Government relations team

Education is fundamental

- Online training programs
- In-person training
- ► Information on company's Intranet
- ► E-mail alerts





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- Pre-Approval Process of Political Contributions
 - Employees must seek clearance <u>before</u> they make a personal political contribution
 - Educate employees: you are not prying into their personal spending habits
- Who do you pre-clear?
 - Only those employees subject to the pay-to-play law
 - Certain classes of employees
 - All employees
- How do you pre-clear?
 - Web-based system
 - Company form
 - E-mail reminders
 - Surveys





- Items to include in your educational training
 - ▶ Definition of a political contribution, including in-kind
 - Examples of contributions
 - Applies to both local and state level candidates and committees
 - Rational behind such a program
 - Penalties for pay-to-play violations, including examples
 - Preclearance is not required for contributions to the company's federal PAC
 - Certification







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