

LOBBYIST MONTHLY REPORT FORM

State of Idaho

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Secretary of State

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L-3 LOBBYISTS
(Sec. 67-6619)

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Lobbyist's name and permanent business address Toni Lawson P O Box 1278 Boise, ID 83701-1278	Date prepared 03/07/2007	Period covered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> month ending (Mo.) (Day) (Yr.) 02 28 2007
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Item 1 Category of Expenditure Reimbursed Personal Living and Travel Expenses Pertaining to Lobbying Activity Do Not Have to be Reported	*Total Amount for All Employers	Proportionate amounts contributed by each employer (Identify employers, under Item 3, at bottom of page.)			
		Employer No. 1	Employer No. 2	Employer No. 3	Employer No. 4
Entertainment	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$	\$	\$
Food and Refreshment	0.00	0.00			
Living Accommodations	0.00	0.00			
Advertising	0.00	0.00			
Travel	0.00	0.00			
Telephone	0.00	0.00			
Other Expenses or Services	0.00	0.00			
Total	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

*When the number of employers you are reporting for requires multiple L-2 forms to be filed a total amount for all employers should be entered on Page 1.

Item 2	The totals of each expenditure of more than fifty dollars (\$50) for a legislator, other holder of public office, and executive officials.			
Date	Place	Amount	Names of Legislators, Public and Executive Officials in Group	
	NONE			

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<p align="center">INSTRUCTIONS</p> <p>Who should file this form: Any lobbyist registered under Section 67-6617 Idaho Code</p> <p>Filing deadline: Monthly reports due within ten (10) days of the month for activities of the past month.</p> <p>TO BE FILED WITH:</p> <p align="center">Ben Ysursa Secretary of State PO Box 83720 Boise, ID 83720-0080 Phone: (208) 334-2852 Fax: (208) 334-2282</p>	Item 3	Employer(s) Name(s) and Address(es)
	No. 1	Idaho Hospital Association P O Box 1278 Boise, ID 83701-1278
	No. 2	
	No. 3	
	No. 4	

Item 4	Expenditures made by the lobbyist or by the lobbyist's employer in the nature of contributions of money or other tangible or intangible personal property to any Legislator, Public or Executive Official or for or on behalf of any Legislator, Public or Executive Official.		
	Date	Amount	Name of Legislator, Public or Executive Official Receiving or Benefiting
		NONE	

Item 5	Subject matter of proposed legislation, the number of the Senate or House Bill, Resolution or other legislative activity in which the Lobbyist was supporting or opposing.		
Subject Code (from table)	Bill, Resolution or Other Legislative Ident. Number	Appropriation Bill Number and Section Number	
17	Please see attached		

LEGISLATIVE SUBJECT IDENTIFICATION

Code	Subject	Code	Subject
01	Agriculture, horticulture, farming, and livestock	17	Health service, medicine, drugs and controlled substances, health insurance, hospitals
02	Amusements, games, athletics and sports	18	Higher education
03	Banking, finance, credit and investments	19	Housing, construction, codes
04	Children, minors, youth, senior citizens	20	Insurance (excluding health insurance)
05	Church and religion	21	Labor, salaries and wages, collective bargaining
06	Consumer affairs	22	Law enforcement, courts, judges, crimes, prisons
07	Ecology, environment, pollution, conservation, zoning, land and water use	23	License, permits
08	Education	24	Liquor
09	Elections, campaigns, voting, political parties	25	Manufacturing, distribution and services
10	Equal rights, civil rights, minority affairs	26	Natural resources, forest and forest products, fisheries, mining and mining products
11	Government, financing, taxation, revenue, budget, appropriations, bids, fees, funds	27	Public lands, parks, recreation
12	Government, county	28	Social insurance, unemployment insurance, public assistance, workmen's compensation
13	Government, federal	29	Transportation, highways, streets and roads
14	Government, municipal	30	Utilities, communications, televisions, radio, newspaper, power, CATV, gas
15	Government, special districts	31	Other (please specify) _____
16	Government, state		

CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that the above is a true, complete and correct statement in accordance with Section 67-6624 Idaho Code.

Item 6	Identify any rule, ratemaking decision, procurement, contract, bid or bid process, financial services or bond lobbyist was supporting or opposing.

Kari Lawson
Lobbyist signature

3/7/07
Date



Legislative Report

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Steven Millard, President

Toni Lawson, Vice President, Governmental Relations

IHA Sponsored Legislation

Bill #	Overview & Supporting Documents	Status
<u>S1048</u>	<u>Idaho Hospital Contribution Act</u> (aka Private Hospital UPL Legislation) -- the bill is being sponsored by Sen. Denton Darrington (R-Declo). The legislation is still awaiting a hearing in the House Health & Welfare Committee. Currently, that committee is prioritizing House bills and RS's and will potentially get to Senate legislation next week. For more information, please review the <u>information sheet</u> .	Passed Senate 35-0; awaiting placement on H/W agenda in House -- tentatively slated for 3/8.
<u>S1047</u>	<u>Trauma Registry</u> -- this bill would repeal the Jan. 1, 2008 sunset clause for the Idaho Trauma Registry. This legislation is also in the queue to be heard in the House Health & Welfare committee after the members have finished with bills originating in the House.	Passed Senate 35-0; awaiting placement on H/W agenda in House

Priority Healthcare Legislation

Bill #	Position, Rationale, & Update	Status
<u>S1045</u>	<u>Civil Actions (OPPOSE)</u> - This legislation would amend existing law relating to attorney's fees in civil actions resulting in only the plaintiff being allowed to recoup attorney's fees, not the prevailing party. As part of the Idaho Liability Reform Coalition (ILRC), IHA is working with other members of the coalition to defeat this bill.	Jud. Committee
<u>H0155</u>	<u>Nursing (SUPPORT)</u> - Establishes the Nurses Workforce Advisory Council, its membership, duties, and funding.	to General Orders
<u>H0160</u>	<u>Doctoral Nursing Program (SUPPORT)</u> - While this legislation amends Idaho Code to add Doctoral Level nursing programs to the professional studies program, it does not dedicate specific funding.	H/W Committee
<u>SCR110</u>	<u>Psychiatric Residency Program</u> - Supports the funding and continued development of an Idaho Psychiatric Residency Program. Due to financial support from the VA Medical Center, St. Luke's, and Saint Alphonsus, the state is only asked to fund 10% of costs.	Senate: Passed House: 3rd reading

Other Health Related Information

Bill #	Title & Description <i>(note: highlighted cells indicate new information)</i>	Status
<u>H0119</u>	<u>Medical Care - Living Wills</u> -- This bill authorizes a form and necessary statute changes to replace "do not resuscitate" ("DNR") orders used at hospitals and other health care institutions within the State of Idaho with a standardized form.	Amended, 3rd reading
<u>H0122</u>	<u>Anatomic Pathology Services / Billing</u> -- This legislation will prohibit an ordering physician from billing patients for anatomic pathology services performed or supervised by another physician.	H/W Committee
<u>H0138</u>	<u>Emergency Services Reimbursement</u> -- In emergency and post-stabilization situations, when a patient receives services from non-contracting providers, this bill would require that the healthcare provider only collect from the health insurance carrier the amount that would have been paid to the contracted provider and from the patient any co-pay, deductible, or charges for non-covered services. This bill is not intended to impact hospitals.	H/W Committee has the bill in hand. A sub-committee and bill stakeholders (including IHA) continue to meet to negotiate revisions.

Medication Assistants -- Provides a certification for Medication Assistants to work under

H0157	the supervision of a licensed nurse.	House: passed Senate: H/W
H0158	<u>Prescription / Patient Information</u> -- Revises Idaho Code to allow specific prescription and patient information to be released to law enforcement agents upon presentation of a search warrant or other appropriate court order. The section inadvertently omitted a reference to law enforcement access to this information and this proposed revision will correct that omission.	House: passed Senate: H/W
H0159	<u>Community Health Center Grant Program</u> -- Creates a Community Health Center Grant Fund to improve access to health care services through grants to qualified community health centers in their communities.	House: passed Senate: H/W
H0161	<u>Abortion - Coercion</u> - States that it is a criminal act to coerce or attempt to coerce a woman to obtain an abortion.	Pulled by Sponsor
H0166	<u>Medicaid Fraud Unit</u> - Provides for a Medicaid Fraud Program in the Department of Health and Welfare and establishes in the Office of the Attorney General the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit. This legislation outlines the authority, prosecuting power, and duties of the Medicaid Fraud Program and the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit.	House: amended, passed Senate: H/W
H0196	<u>Elections</u> - Consolidates all elections to two dates per year (the fourth Tuesday of May and the Tuesday following the first Monday of November).	House: passed Senate: St Aff
H0225	<u>Abortion - Coercion</u> - A replacement to H0161, this version of the bill removes areas of concern to IHA and other healthcare providers.	H/W Committee
H0248	<u>Abortion</u> - Requires that all physicians using ultrasound equipment in performing an abortion to inform the patient of her right to view the ultrasound images prior to the procedure.	H/W Committee
S1017a	<u>Anatomical Gift Act</u> -- The legislation revises the Uniform Anatomical Gift Acts of 1968 and 1987 in light of changes in federal law and regulation and related developments in the field of organ donation.	Senate: Passed House: Passed Law - Chapter 30, effective 7/1/07
S1023	<u>Worker's Compensation</u> -- Prohibits an employer from discharging, discriminating, or retaliating in any manner against an employee who has given notice and made a claim, or is about to give notice and make a claim.	Com/HR
S1068	<u>Vital Statistics Definitions</u> -- Revises Idaho Code to align with accepted professional definitions.	Senate: Passed House: H/W
S1069	<u>Cause of Death Certification</u> -- Permits physician assistants and advanced practice professional nurses to certify cause of death and to sign certificates of stillbirth.	Senate: Passed House: H/W
S1077	<u>Faxed Prescriptions</u> -- Simplifies the process of faxing a prescription to a pharmacist from a healthcare facility by removing the requirement that the license number of a nurse in a licensed healthcare facility be provided.	Senate: Passed House: H/W
S1078	<u>EMS Physician Commission</u> -- Clarifies the duty of the EMS Bureau to sanction EMS providers when appropriate and grant the authority to make recommendations about the disposition of disciplinary cases involving EMS personnel to the EMSPC. The proposed amendment will clarify the EMS Bureau's responsibility for the management of complaints, investigations and certification and license actions and transfer the authority to the EMSPC to make recommendations, to the EMS Bureau Chief, concerning disciplinary cases involving EMS personnel.	Senate: Passed House: H/W
S1082	<u>Abortions - Parental Consent</u> -- Reinstates parental consent requirements before a minor girl can obtain a legal abortion.	Senate: Amended, Passed House: H/W
S1085	<u>Meetings -- Executive Sessions</u> -- Clarifies Open Meetings law requirements for the purposes for which an executive session may be held, taking minutes during an executive session, and consulting with counsel, risk managers, or insurers during an executive session.	Senate: Passed House: St Aff
S1107	<u>Insurance</u> -- This is a technical correction to SB1423 from 2006 which defined the term "health benefit plan" to refer to hospital and medical insurance, and specifically excludes long term care and disability income insurance policies. SB 1423 used the term "disability insurance," which under Idaho law may be read broadly to include not only insurance for hospital and medical expenses, but also individually purchased financial products such as long term care and income protection insurance.	Senate: Passed House: Bus
S1157	<u>Public Benefits</u> -- Similar to a bill introduced last year, this legislation would require verification of a person's lawful presence in the US prior to receiving public benefits. Emergency care is exempted is the proposed law as are a few other health-related circumstances (i.e. pre- and post natal care, immunizations, and testing and treatment for communicable diseases).	Report out to 14th Order
S1158	<u>Medical Care - Non-US Citizen</u> - The legislation would place liability for medically necessary healthcare relating to their employment on the employer if it is shown that he/she knowingly employs an illegal worker.	H/W

SCR108 Mental Health / Substance Abuse - Requests a review of Idaho's current mental health and substance abuse treatment delivery systems by an independent contractor.

Senate: Passed
House: 3rd Reading

House / Senate Abbreviations

Ag Aff - Agricultural Affairs
Approp - Appropriations
Bus - Business
Com/HR - Commerce & Human Resources
Educ - Education
Envir - Environment, Energy & Technology

Fin - Finance
H/W - Health & Welfare
JFAC - Joint Finance & Appropriation Committee
Jud - Judiciary, Rules & Administration
Loc Gov - Local Government
Res/Con - Resources & Conversation

Res/Env - Resources & Environment
Rev/Tax - Revenue & Taxation
St Aff - State Affairs
Transp - Transportation & Defense
W/M - Way and Means

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