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Re: Regulation #16-40 (IRRC #2665)
Lobbying Disclosure Regulations Committee
Lobbying Disclosure

Dear Mr. Mulle and Mr. Masland:

The Independent Regulatory Review Commission approved the subject regulation today. Our order is enclosed and will be available on our website at www.irrc.state.pa.us.

We appreciate the joint effort that went into producing a regulation that meets the criteria and intent of the Regulatory Review Act.

Sincerely,

Arthur Coccodrilli
Chairman

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Enclosure

cc: Honorable Charles T. McIlhinney, Jr., Chair, Senate State Government Committee
Honorable Anthony H. Williams, Chair, Senate State Government Committee
Honorable Thomas Caltagirone, Chair, Judiciary Committee
Honorable Ronald Marisco, Chair, House Judiciary Committee
Honorable Peter Cortes, Secretary, Department of State

**INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION
APPROVAL ORDER**

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held February 26, 2009

Arthur Coccodrilli, Chairman, Dissented
Nancy Sabol Frantz, Esq., Abstained
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George D. Bedwick
John F. Mizner, Esq.

Regulation No. 16-40 (#2665)
Department of State
Lobbying Disclosure

On January 9, 2008, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the Department of State (Department). This rulemaking establishes 51 Pa. Code Chapters 51 to 69. The proposed regulation was published in the January 19, 2008 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 30-day public comment period. A final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on September 18, 2008, that was disapproved by the Commission on November 6, 2008. An amended final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on February 9, 2009, after the conclusion of adjournment *sine die*.

This regulation implements Act 134 of 2006, also known as the Lobbying Disclosure Act.

We have determined this amended regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Department (65 P.S. § 13A10(d)) and the intention of the General Assembly. Having considered all of the other criteria of the Regulatory Review Act, we find promulgation of this regulation is in the public interest.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

This regulation is approved.




Arthur Coccodrilli, Chairman