

HOUSE BILL No. 2235

By Representative Coleman

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1 AN ACT concerning governmental ethics; regarding lobbyists; requiring
2 body cameras in statehouse; prohibiting gifts and hospitality; amending
3 K.S.A. 46-270 and K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 46-271 and repealing the
4 existing sections.
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6 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

7 Section 1. K.S.A. 46-270 is hereby amended to read as follows: 46-
8 270. (a) The secretary of state shall obtain suitable name tags in two
9 colors, of a size not smaller than two inches by three inches, to be fastened
10 on the outside of the wearer's garment with lettering adequate in size and
11 clarity to be readable at a distance of three feet by individuals of normal
12 vision, bearing the name of the lobbyist, the names of the persons
13 compensating or appointing the lobbyist and the year. The secretary of
14 state shall present to each individual registering under K.S.A. 46-264 and
15 46-265, and amendments thereto, one such tag, and such tag shall be worn
16 by the lobbyist when lobbying in the state capitol building.

17 (b) *Each lobbyist shall wear a body camera when entering the*
18 *statehouse and shall record all conversations with any legislator. The*
19 *recording shall be considered a public record under the open records act,*
20 *K.S.A. 45-215 et seq., and amendments thereto, and such recordings shall*
21 *be filed with the secretary of state on the first day of each month.*

22 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 46-271 is hereby amended to read as
23 follows: 46-271. (a) *Except as provided in subsection (b) concerning*
24 *legislators and candidates for the legislature,* no lobbyist shall offer, pay,
25 give or make any economic opportunity, gift, loan, gratuity, special
26 discount, favor, hospitality, or service having an aggregate value of \$40 or
27 more in any calendar year to any state officer or employee or candidate for
28 state office or to any officer or candidate for office or employee of the
29 judicial branch with a major purpose of influencing the state officer or
30 employee or candidate for state office in the performance of official duties
31 or prospective official duties or the officer or candidate for office or
32 employee of the judicial branch in the performance of any judicial
33 administrative matter, as defined in K.S.A. 46-225, and amendments
34 thereto. Hospitality in the form of recreation, food and beverages are
35 presumed not to be given to influence a state officer or employee or
36 candidate for state office in the performance of official duties, or an officer

1 or candidate for office or employee of the judicial branch in the
2 performance of any judicial administrative matter, as defined in K.S.A. 46-
3 225, and amendments thereto, except when a particular course of official
4 action is to be followed as a condition thereon.

5 Except when a particular course of official action is to be followed as a
6 condition thereon, this section shall not apply to: (1) Any contribution
7 reported in compliance with the campaign finance act as amended; or (2) a
8 commercially reasonable loan or other commercial transaction in the
9 ordinary course of business.

10 *(b) Lobbyists shall not offer, pay, give or make any economic*
11 *opportunity, gift, loan, gratuity, special discount, favor, hospitality or*
12 *service to any legislator or candidate for the legislature.*

13 Sec. 3. K.S.A. 46-270 and K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 46-271 are hereby
14 repealed.

15 Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
16 publication in the statute book.