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# House Bill 3220

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A BILL to amend and reenact §6D-1-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to require disclosure of information from state agencies, municipalities, counties, or county school districts that have contracted with a state agency for consulting services related to lobbying.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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#### ARTICLE 1. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTED PARTIES.

#### §6D-1-2. Disclosure of interested parties to a public contract; supplemental disclosure.

- (a) A state agency may not enter into an applicable contract that has been awarded to a business entity unless and until the business entity submits to the state agency a disclosure of interested parties to the applicable contract.
- (b) The business entity shall submit the disclosure to the state agency no later than when the contract is submitted to the state agency for signature and approval by the state agency: *Provided*, That this provision does not require submission of a disclosure pursuant to this article as part of a bid for the contract.
- (c) Within 30 days following the completion or termination of the applicable contract, the business entity shall submit a supplemental disclosure of interested parties reflecting any new or differing interested parties to the contract.
- (d) Every state agency, municipality, county, and school district in the state that has ever contracted with a state agency for consulting services shall disclose and itemize all lobbying activities relating to the following:
- (1) Contract details such as the date of the contract; extension date, effective date, and length of the contract;
- (2) Cost of the contract associated with lobbying services;
- (3) List of all legislation advocated for, or against, by all parties or subcontractors the firm
   hired for lobbying services, including the positions taken on each piece of legislation;
  - (4) A copy of the contract used to hire a firm or individual for lobbying services; and

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### 20 (5) Disclosure of interested parties for any contract for services that would require a person

### 21 to register as a lobbyist.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to require disclosure of information from state agencies, municipalities, counties, or county school districts that have contracted with a state agency for consulting services related to lobbying.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.