

Lobbying Snapshot
Twelve State Comparison
December 31, 2013

	REGISTRATION PERIODS	TYPES OF ENTITIES	AMOUNT OF FILING FEES	FREQUENCY OF LOBBYIST DISCLOSURE FILINGS	LATE PENALTY FEE?	FEE WAIVED FOR GOOD CAUSE? (Y/N)
MASSACHUSETTS	ANNUAL (December 15)	Lobbyist(L), Legislative Agent(LA), Executive Agent(EA)	L-\$1,000; LA-\$100; EA-\$100	Bi-Annual; (Jan. 1-Jun. 30) Due July 15; Jul. 1-Dec. 31) Due. Jan. 15	\$50 per day up to the twentieth day and an additional \$100 per day for every day after the twentieth day until the statement is filed	Y
MAINE	ANNUAL (December 1- November 30) Expires Nov. 30.	Lobbyist, Lobbyist Associate, Volunteer Lobbyist	Registration fee for each joint lobbyist/client registration: \$200. Each additional associate: \$100.Late filing-Joint Lobbyist/Client Registration: \$100 penalty for each month the registration is filed late.	Monthly - Due the 15th of each month, which covers lobbying activity for the prior calendar month	\$50-within 24 hours of deadline; \$100 after first 24 hrs and for each month report is late. Penalty notices are mailed within 3 calendar days by cert. mail.	Y-written request-mitigating circumstances
NEW HAMPSHIRE	ANNUAL 2013 Session ends December 31, 2013; 2014 Session ends December 31, 2014	Lobbyist, Associated Lobbyist	\$50. per Lobbyist	Quarterly (2013 legislative session shall be filed no later than the last Wednesday of April (April 24, 2013), July (July 31, 2013), October (October 30, 2013) and January (January 29, 2014)		
RHODE ISLAND	Annual	Lobbyist, Executive Lobbyist	\$5 per entity	Monthly - Due the 15th of each month, which covers lobbying activity for the prior calendar month; Final Reports:Due 30 days final adjournment of leg. Session or 30 days cessation of lobbying activity; Annual: Jan. 15; Executive: Semi-Annual Jan.1-Jun. 30-Due Jul. 30; Jul. 1-Dec. 31 due Jan. 30	None	n/a
CONNECTICUT	Every two years on or before the 15th of January of odd-numbered years	Communicator Lobbyist(business organization), Client Lobbyist(in-house communicators)	\$25	Client Lobbyist: April, July (covering prev. cal. Qtrs)& Jan.(covering prev. two cal. Qtrs) plus interim montly reports while Gen. Assembly is in session. Communicator Lobbyist: between the 1st and 10th day of Jan. a report or reports detailing compensation & reimbursement from each client during prev. yr; separate reports for each client.	\$10/per day until report has been filed. Cap at \$10,000	N, but request can be made before Ethics board
VERMONT	BIENNIUM (2013-2014)	Lobbyist(L), Lobbyist Employer(LE), Lobbying Firm(LF)	L-\$25 plus \$5 to link; LE-\$25 plus \$5 to link; LF-no fee as it is a listing only	Tri-Annual; (Apr. 25 Jan. 1-Mar. 30; Jul. 25. Apr. 1-Jun. 30; Jan. 25. Jul. 1-Dec. 31)	\$25 plus \$10 for each day that the form is late, not to exceed a maximum of \$175	N

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NEW YORK	Annually	Lobbyist; Client	\$200 per lobbyist, however free for lobbyists who spend or receive less than \$5,000 annually	Bi-Monthly; January first to the last day of February, March first to April thirtieth, May first to June thirtieth, July first to August thirty-first, September first to October thirty-first and November first to December thirty-first.; Clients-Semi-Annual	\$25 per day for Bi-Monthly; Separate \$50 filing fee for Semi-Annual report	
NEW JERSEY	Annually (Jan. 1 - Dec. 31)	Governmental Affairs Agent	\$425	Quarterly (Jan. 1-Mar. 31-due Apr. 10; Apr. 1-June 30-due July 10; July 1-Sept. 30 due Oct. 10; Oct. 1-Dec. 31-due Jan. 10)	Civil Penalties - Legal Complaints	If goes to hearing they can request waiver
PENNSYLVANIA	Biennial	Principal, Lobbying Firm, Lobbyist	\$100	Quarterly	\$50 per day	Y-by written decision of the commission
DELAWARE	Until Terminated	Lobbyist, Public Officer	None	Quarterly (on or before the 20th day of the month following each calendar quarter) Separate reports for each employer	N (see notes)	n/a
MARYLAND	Annually	Legislative Action Lobbyist; Executive Action Lobbyist; Grassroots Lobbying	\$100 per registration	November 1 through April 30 (report is due by May 31) and May 1 through October 31 (report is due by November 30)	\$10 per day; Max. \$250	N
WASHINGTON, DC	Annually	Registrant; Lobbying Employee	\$50	Biannually Jan. 10 (Jul. 1-Dec. 31) Jul. 10 (Jan.1-Jun. 30)	Goes to hearing before Campaign Finance hearing officer	n/a