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Honorarium or Expense Reimbursement Report (RSA 15-B)



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List the full name, post office address, occupation, and principal place of business, if any, of the source of any reportable honorarium or expense reimbursement. When the source is a corporation or other entity, the name and work address of the person representing the corporation or entity in making the honorarium or expense reimbursement must be provided in addition to the name of the corporation or entity.

Source of Honorarium or Expense Reimbursement:

Name of source: _____
First Middle Last

Post Office Address: _____

Occupation: _____

Principal Place of Business: _____

If source is a Corporation or other Entity:

Name of Corporation or Entity: WYETH, ADVANCE AMERICA, COMCAST, BAYER HEALTH CARE, LLC

Name of Corporate/Entity Representative: SEE ATTACHED LIST

Work Address of Representative: _____

Value of Honorarium: 275.00 Date Received: AUGUST 16, 2006 If exact value is unknown, provide an estimate of the value of the gift or honorarium and identify the value as an estimate. Exact Estimate

Value of Expense Reimbursement: _____ Date Received: _____ A copy of the agenda or an equivalent document must be attached to this filing. Exact Estimate

Briefly describe the service or event this Honorarium or Expense Reimbursement relates to:

DINNER FOR NH DELEGATES ^{NO FRIENDS} AT NCSL ANNUAL MEETINGS (2006)
NASHVILLE, TN

"I have read RSA 15-B and hereby swear or affirm that the foregoing information is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief."

Norman F. Major
Signature of Filer

Sept 26, 2006
Date Filed

**Sponsors of the Dinner in Nashville
August 16, 2006**

Katrina Iserman, Director
State Government Affairs
Wyeth
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Boston, MA 02116

Company: Wyeth

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124 East Side Drive
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21 Coburn Avenue
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Company: Comcast

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Company: Bayer HealthCare, LLC



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

CONCORD 03301-4988

W. DOUGLAS SCAMMAN, JR.
SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE

September 7, 2006

Russell F. Hilliard, Esquire
Legislative Ethics Committee
c/o Richard Lambert
Office of Legislative Services
State House
Concord, NH 03301

Dear Chairman Hilliard:

I am writing to request an advisory opinion from the Legislative Ethics Committee regarding the reporting requirement for acceptance by House members of a dinner paid for by lobbyists at the August 2006 annual meeting of the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL). The dinner was held specifically for New Hampshire attendees and all were invited. It was not part of NCSL's official conference events. Some of the lobbyists who paid for the dinner are registered as lobbyists in New Hampshire.

New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated (RSA) 15-B, as recently amended by SB 206 and signed into law on March 30, 2006 with an effective date of June 2, 2006, requires reporting of acceptance of honorariums and expense reimbursement. Does the dinner fall within the definition of an honorarium or expense reimbursement as defined in RSA 15-B? If so, how should it be reported? Does the meal fall under the definition of a gift as defined in RSA 15-B:2? I note that under RSA 15-B:2, V(c)(10)(B) a meal is not prohibited if it is associated with attendance at "(a)ny event where the person is attending in an official capacity representing the state." Similarly, RSA 15-B:2, V(c)(11) exempts meals and beverages "consumed in the course of official business." Does the dinner fall within these exceptions?

I would like to advise House members who attended the NCSL meeting of any reporting obligations under our ethics laws and respectfully request your help in resolving this question.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "W. Douglas Scamman, Jr." with a stylized flourish at the end.

W. Douglas Scamman, Jr.
Speaker of the House



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W. Douglas Scamman, Jr.
Speaker of the House

MEMORANDUM

TO: Rep. Daniel Eaton
Rep. Mary Griffin
Rep. Deb Hogancamp
Rep. Norm Major
Rep. Roy Maxfield
Rep. Sherman Packard
Rep. Tara Reardon
Rep. John Tholl
House Clerk Karen Wadsworth
Committee Researcher Pam Smarling

FROM: House Speaker W. Douglas Scamman, Jr.

DATE: September 20, 2006

RE: Complimentary Dinner at NCSL's Annual Meeting in Nashville

Enclosed please find a copy of a letter I recently sent to the Legislative Ethics Committee asking for clarification on RSA 15-B, which was amended by SB 206 (2006 session), and in particular, as it might relate to the dinner we attended last month while at NCSL.

The committee discussed this matter at their regular meeting on Monday, and I was informed that it was the committee's interpretation that our complimentary dinner at NCSL was a reportable item. Therefore, I wanted to share this response with you and recommend that you return the enclosed forms to the Secretary of State.

To be in compliance with the reporting requirements in Chapter 15-B:6, the forms should be returned by the end of September ("...the last day of the month following the month during which the gift, honorarium, or expense reimbursement was received."). Also enclosed are the names of the sponsors of the dinner.

I hope this information has been helpful.

WDS/sg
Enclosures