



ADMINISTRATIVE RULES OF MONTANA

44.12.205 PRINCIPALS--REPORTING OF REIMBURSED EXPENSES OF LOBBYISTS

- (1) If a principal reimburses a lobbyist or an individual for actual expenses incurred for lobbying or to support or assist a lobbying activity (excluding personal and necessary living expenses) , the actual reimbursed expenses must be reported.
- (2) If the lobbyist or the individual engaged in lobbying activities is being paid a periodic, lump sum, or contingent fee and the primary purpose of the contract is for lobbying services, all reimbursed expenses (excluding personal and necessary living expenses) shall be reported.
- (3) If the lobbyist or the individual engaged in lobbying activities is being paid a fee and lobbying services are a part of the contract, only those expenses or the portion of them that are related to or incurred in lobbying or in providing support or assistance for a lobbying activity on behalf of the principal shall be reported (excluding personal and necessary living expenses) .
- (4) If the expenses are incurred by a salaried employee or officer of the principal whose duties include lobbying, only those reimbursed expenses (excluding personal and necessary living expenses) or the proportion of them that are related to or incurred in lobbying or in providing support or assistance for a lobbying activity on behalf of the principal shall be reported.
- (5) Travel expenses of a lobbyist or an individual engaged in lobbying activities that are paid or reimbursed by a principal shall not be included by the principal in calculating whether the threshold amount in [5-7-112](#), MCA, has been exceeded by the principal. However, once a principal has made payments exceeding the amount in [5-7-112](#), MCA, all travel expenses of a lobbyist or an individual engaged in lobbying activities that were paid or reimbursed by a principal (including those excluded in determining whether the amount in [5-7-112](#), MCA, was exceeded by the principal) shall be reported by the principal.

Authorizing statute(s): 5-7-111, MCA

Implementing statute(s): 5-7-111, 5-7-208, MCA

History: NEW, 1982 MAR p. 1208, Eff. 6/18/82; AMD, 2002 MAR p. 2458, Eff. 9/13/02; AMD, 2004 MAR p. 1979, Eff. 8/20/04.