

ACT No. 540

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HOUSE BILL NO. 106

BY REPRESENTATIVE JACKSON

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 24:58(D)(2), R.S. 33:9668(D)(2), R.S. 42:1157(A)(4)(c), and R.S. 49:78(D)(2) and to enact R.S. 24:58(D)(6), R.S. 33:9668(D)(6), and R.S. 49:78(D)(6), relative to penalties imposed by the Board of Ethics; to provide for the enforcement of registration and reporting requirements of legislative, executive branch, and local lobbyists; to provide for the assessment of late fees and civil penalties for failure to timely file; to provide for the computation of days; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 24:58(D)(2) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 24:58(D)(6) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§58. Enforcement

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D. In addition to any other applicable penalties:

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(2) Any person whose registration or report is filed eleven or more days after the day on which it was due may be assessed, in addition to any late fees pursuant to this Section, after a hearing by the board, a civil penalty not to exceed ~~ten~~ one thousand dollars.

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1 (6) The computation of days provided for in this Subsection shall not include
2 Saturdays, Sundays, or other legal holidays.

3 Section 2. R.S. 33:9668(D)(2) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S.
4 33:9668(D)(6) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

5 §9668. Enforcement

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7 D. In addition to any other applicable penalties:

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9 (2) Any person whose registration or report is filed eleven or more days after
10 the day on which it was due shall be assessed, in addition to any late fees pursuant
11 to this Section, after a hearing by the ethics board, a civil penalty not to exceed ~~ten~~
12 one thousand dollars.

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14 (6) The computation of days provided for in this Subsection shall not include
15 Saturdays, Sundays, or other legal holidays.

16 Section 3. R.S. 42:1157(A)(4)(c) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as
17 follows:

18 §1157. Late filing fees

19 A.

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21 (4) Any late filing fees assessed by the Board of Ethics or its staff, for any
22 failure to timely file any report or statement due, shall not exceed the following:

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24 (c) If the fee is fifty dollars per day, the maximum shall be one thousand five
25 hundred dollars, except that the maximum shall be five hundred dollars for fees
26 assessed pursuant to Paragraph (2) of this Subsection. The computation of days
27 provided for in this Subparagraph shall not include Saturdays, Sundays, or other
28 legal holidays.

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1 Section 4. R.S. 49:78(D)(2) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 49:78(D)(6)
2 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

3 §78. Enforcement

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5 D. In addition to any other applicable penalties:

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7 (2) Any person whose registration or report is filed eleven or more days after
8 the day on which it was due may be assessed, in addition to any late fees pursuant
9 to this Section, after a hearing by the board, a civil penalty not to exceed ~~ten~~ one
10 thousand dollars.

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12 (6) The computation of days provided for in this Subsection shall not include
13 Saturdays, Sundays, or other legal holidays.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____