

LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AGENCY
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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7103
BILL NUMBER: SB 267

NOTE PREPARED: Jan 13, 2026
BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Influence Campaign Reports.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Alexander
FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: CR Adopted - 1st House

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill requires a person who provides another person with at least \$500 in compensation to induce, support, aid, or otherwise encourage the other person to engage in an influence campaign to file a written report with the Indiana Lobby Registration Commission. The bill specifies items that the report must include. It also requires subsequent reporting.

Effective Date: July 1, 2026.

Explanation of State Expenditures: (Revised) *Indiana Lobby Registration Commission*: The bill would increase the workload of the ILRC to receive influence filings and investigate potential violations of the filing requirements in the bill. If additional full-time staff is needed, the salary, fringe, and benefits for each position would range between \$73,500 to \$116,300 in salary and fringe benefits during FY 2027 and between \$76,400 and \$121,000 during FY 2028.

(Revised) *IT Costs*: The bill could increase ILRC costs to update the agency's information technology systems to handle additional filings. The Indiana Office of Technology (IOT) charges fees to provide services to state agencies, and ultimately any costs ILRC pays to IOT would depend on ILRC needs to administer the provisions of the bill.

The IOT currently offers database consultancy for state agencies at a rate of \$100 per hour and database hosting at \$32.68 per month. The IOT also offers guidance to state agencies with itemized checklists to help minimize IT costs.

Explanation of State Revenues: *Summary* - The bill could increase General Fund revenue from civil penalties. Increases in General Fund revenue are indeterminable, but expected to be minimal.

Additional Information - The bill could increase General Fund revenue from civil penalties collected from individuals who fail to file with the Indiana Lobby Registration Commission concerning influence payments. The Indiana Lobby Registration Commission can currently prescribe maximum \$500 civil penalties for failure to file reports under IC 2-7-6-6, but these reporting requirements only pertain to required filings under

IC 2-7-3-3.3 and IC 2-7-3-7.

The Indiana Lobby Registration Commission could lack statutory authority to enforce the bill's requirements. Any increase in General Fund revenue from civil penalties for failure to file reports with the Indiana Lobby Registration Commission would be subject to judicial interpretation.

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Indiana Lobby Registration Commission; Indiana Office of Technology.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources:

<https://www.in.gov/sba/files/Operating-Budget-Instructions-FY26-27.pdf>

<https://www.in.gov/iot/files/819FY-25-Rate-sheet.pdf>

<https://www.in.gov/iot/files/IOT-Services-Catalog.pdf>

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