

(c) (1) Except for providing the authorization required by § 15-702 of this subtitle and the report required by [§ 15-704(c)] § 15-704(D) of this subtitle, an entity that compensates one or more regulated lobbyists, and that reasonably believes that all expenditures requiring registration will be reported by the regulated lobbyist or lobbyists, is exempt from the registration and reporting requirements of this subtitle if the entity engages in no other act that requires registration.

(2) If a regulated lobbyist compensated by an entity that is exempt under paragraph (1) of this subsection fails to report the information required by this subtitle, the entity immediately shall become subject to the registration and reporting requirements of this subtitle.

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(f) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, each registration shall terminate on the earlier of:

(i) the October 31 following the filing of the registration; or

(ii) an earlier termination date specified in an authorization filed with respect to that registration under § 15-702 of this subtitle.

(2) A regulated lobbyist may terminate the registration before the date specified in paragraph (1) of this subsection by:

(i) ceasing all activity that requires registration; AND

(ii) after ceasing activity in accordance with item (i) of this paragraph[;]:

1. FILING A NOTICE OF TERMINATION WITH THE ETHICS COMMISSION; AND

2. filing all reports required by this subtitle WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER THE FILING OF THE NOTICE OF TERMINATION[; and].

[(iii) within 30 days after filing its final report, filing a notice of termination with the Ethics Commission.]

(3) (I) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, IF A REGULATED LOBBYIST IS OR BECOMES SUBJECT TO REGULATION UNDER THIS TITLE AS AN OFFICIAL OR EMPLOYEE, THE REGULATED LOBBYIST SHALL IMMEDIATELY TERMINATE THE REGISTRATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION.

(II) SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH DOES NOT APPLY TO A REGULATED LOBBYIST APPOINTED TO AN ADVISORY GOVERNMENTAL BODY OF LIMITED DURATION.

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(a) (1) A regulated lobbyist shall file with the Ethics Commission, under oath and for each registration, a separate report concerning the regulated lobbyist's lobbying activities: