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## **TODAY: Lobbyists File Expenditure Reports with Secretary of State's Office**

SANTA FE – New Mexico Secretary of State Maggie Toulouse Oliver announced that lobbyist expenditure and political contribution reports are required to be filed with her office by 11:59 p.m. tonight, May 9, 2018. The reports are filed electronically and [are available in a searchable format on the Secretary of State's website](#).

“Because the work lobbyists do can significantly impact how our laws are made, New Mexicans need to be able to follow the money lobbyists spend to influence decisions at the Roundhouse,” said Secretary Toulouse Oliver. “I’m always in favor of making state government more transparent, and that includes greater disclosures by all New Mexico lobbyists.”

The reports that are due today cover the reporting period that ran from January 1, 2018 until May 7, 2018. On the reports, lobbyists are required to disclose each expenditure that they made or incurred during the reporting period totaling at least \$100, separated into the following categories: meals and beverages; other entertainment expenditures; and other expenditures. The reports must also include each political contribution made by the lobbyist or the lobbyist’s employer.

The next lobbyist expenditure and political contribution reports are due on October 3, 2018 and cover the reporting period that runs from May 8, 2018 until October 1, 2018.

Guidelines on how to comply with all state lobbying requirements can be found in the [Lobbyist Guide on the Secretary of State's website](#).

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