

Lobbying *update*

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****UPDATE** DECEMBER 13, 2006**

The Secretary of State filed the Los Angeles Charter amendments of Proposition R, which will be published according to state rules. The amendments are effective as of today's date.

What this means for lobbying entities:

- 1) **Contributions from registered lobbyists and lobbying firms to elective City officers or candidates for elective office and their City controlled committees are prohibited.** (Los Angeles Charter, Section 470(c)11)
- 2) **Registered lobbyists may not be appointed to City Commissions** whose members are required to file financial disclosure statements pursuant to the California Political Reform Act. (Los Angeles Charter, Section 501(d)2)

****UPDATE** DECEMBER 12, 2006**

Today the City Council declared the results of the Los Angeles special election held on November 7, 2006.

- 1) The City Clerk is preparing to transmit the Charter amendments of Proposition R to the California Secretary of State. Once they are filed by the Secretary of State, the Charter amendments become effective.
- 2) Los Angeles Municipal Code [Ordinance 178064](#), which amends portions of the City's Lobbying, Campaign Finance and Governmental Ethics ordinances, will take effect on January 15, 2007, based on a publishing date of December 15, 2006.

****UPDATE** DECEMBER 7, 2006**

On November 7, 2006, voters in the City of Los Angeles approved Proposition R, which amends the City's Charter and Municipal Code to extend term limits for City Council members and modify the City's ethics provisions.

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For the full text of Proposition R, go to: http://ethics.lacity.org/pdf/laws/law_propr.pdf

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This page contains information for lobbying entities on the status of Proposition R and will be updated as new information becomes available.

The County Registrar has certified the results of the election and submitted the results to the City Council. The City Clerk has placed consideration of the election results on the agenda for the City Council's Tuesday, December 12, 2006 meeting. Proposition R contains both amendments to the City of Los Angeles Charter and the City's Municipal Code; changes to the Charter and the Municipal Code will take effect on different dates.

1) City Charter amendments include:

- **A ban on contributions made by a registered lobbyist or lobbying firm** to City candidates and officeholders.
- **A ban on appointing registered lobbyists to City commissions** whose members are required to file financial disclosure statements.

After the Council declares the results, the City Clerk will transmit the Charter amendments of Prop R to the Secretary of State. Once the Secretary of State files those charter amendments, they will be effective.

2) Municipal Code amendments include:

- **Changes in registration/qualification thresholds for lobbyists and lobbying firms.**
- **Ban on gifts from lobbyists and lobbying firms to City officials.**
- **Lengthening of the one-year waiting period to two years** for former elected City officials who seek to engage in compensated lobbying activity after leaving City service.

After the Council declares the results, the City Clerk will publish the ordinance amendments. The City Clerk has indicated that the amendments will be published in the newspaper and will be effective 31 days post-publication.

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