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Re: Advisory Opinion Request

Dear Commissioner Abernethy:

The Georgia Municipal Association respectfully requests an Advisory Opinion on the following:

O.C.G.A. 21-5-70(5) draws distinctions between four levels of lobbyists: state, state agency, vendor and local. The Georgia Municipal Association registers state level lobbyists to work on legislative issues at the State Capitol. The registered state level lobbyists are not registered as local lobbyists because they are not engaging in lobbying activity with local elected officials.

Is a state-level lobbyist required to disclose spending on local elected officials if the state-lobbyist is not also registered as a local lobbyist?

I appreciate your consideration of this request. If you should have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at 678-686-6273.

Sincerely,

D. Lamar Norton  
Executive Director

cc: Holly LaBerge