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4 On page 5, after line 2, insert the following:

5 "Sec. 2. RCW 42.17.160 and 1982 c 147 s 12 are each amended to
6 read as follows:

7 The following persons and activities shall be exempt from
8 registration and reporting under RCW 42.17.150, 42.17.170, and
9 42.17.200:

10 (1) Persons who limit their lobbying activities to appearing before
11 public sessions of committees of the legislature, or public hearings of
12 state agencies;

13 (2) News or feature reporting activities and editorial comment by
14 working members of the press, radio, or television and the publication
15 or dissemination thereof by a newspaper, book publisher, regularly
16 published periodical, radio station, or television station;

17 (3) Persons who lobby without compensation or other consideration
18 for acting as a lobbyist: PROVIDED, Such person makes no expenditure
19 for or on behalf of any member of the legislature or elected official
20 or public officer or employee of the state of Washington in connection
21 with such lobbying. The exemption contained in this subsection is
22 intended to permit and encourage citizens of this state to lobby any
23 legislator, public official, or state agency without incurring any
24 registration or reporting obligation provided they do not exceed the
25 limits stated above. Any person exempt under this subsection (3) may
26 at his option register and report under this chapter;

27 (4) Persons who restrict their lobbying activities to no more than
28 four days or parts thereof during any three-month period and whose
29 total expenditures during such three-month period for or on behalf of
30 any one or more members of the legislature or state elected officials
31 or public officers or employees of the state of Washington in
32 connection with such lobbying do not exceed twenty-five [dollars]:
33 PROVIDED, That the commission shall promulgate regulations to require
34 disclosure by persons exempt under this subsection or their employers
35 or entities which sponsor or coordinate the lobbying activities of such
36 persons if it determines that such regulations are necessary to prevent
37 frustration of the purposes of this chapter. Any person exempt under

1 this subsection (4) may at his option register and report under this
2 chapter;

3 (5) The governor;

4 (6) The lieutenant governor;

5 (7) Except as provided by RCW 42.17.190(1), members of the
6 legislature;

7 (8) Except as provided by RCW 42.17.190(1), persons employed by the
8 legislature for the purpose of aiding in the preparation or enactment
9 of legislation or the performance of legislative duties;

10 (9) Elected officials (~~(, and officers and employees)~~) of any
11 agency reporting under RCW 42.17.190(4) as now or hereafter amended."

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14 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "RCW" insert "42.17.160"

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