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1 AN ACT Relating to the public disclosure commission concerning
2 responsibilities and funding; adding a new section to chapter 42.17A
3 RCW; and creating a new section.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that the public is
6 entitled to complete disclosure regarding the influence of money in
7 politics. Therefore, the legislature intends to increase disclosure
8 by requiring electronic filing by lobbyists.

9 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 42.17A
10 RCW to read as follows:

11 (1) All agencies required to report under RCW 42.17A.635 must
12 file all reports required by this chapter electronically over the
13 internet as provided by the commission under RCW 42.17A.055.

14 (2) No later than January 1, 2018, all lobbyists and lobbyists'
15 employers required to file reports under RCW 42.17A.600, 42.17A.615,
16 42.17A.625, or 42.17A.630 must file all reports required by this
17 chapter electronically over the internet as provided by the
18 commission under RCW 42.17A.055.

19 (3) The commission shall design, develop, implement, and maintain
20 computer hardware and software or other applications to accommodate

1 electronic filing of the reports required by this section and a
2 database and query system compatible with current architecture,
3 technology, and operating systems that result in readily available
4 data to the public for review and analysis. The commission is
5 encouraged to engage stakeholders in the design and development of
6 the system.

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