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Dear Mr. DuRant:

In response to your letter of June 7, it is my opinion that the spirit of the intent of § 30-154 of S.169 is that all monies expended by legislative agents be reported. C.J.S. <u>Statutes</u> § 6 says that 'the requirement that lobbyists report expenditures is broad enough to include <u>all</u> those made in his activities and is not limited to those which reach the legislature or its members directly.' (Emphasis added.)

It appears that this bill, should it become law, would require you to include in your report all 'contributions and expenditures,' including the specifics about which you asked. The language of S.169 indicates a desire to have reported all funds used by legislative agents in promoting or opposing in any manner, directly or indirectly, any legislation. Very truly yours,

Hardwick Stuart, Jr. Assistant Attorney General

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