

LOBBYISTS, LOBBYING AGENTS, AND LOBBYING ACTIVITIES (EXCERPT)
Act 472 of 1978

4.411 Meanings of words and phrases.

Sec. 1. Except as otherwise defined in this act, the words and phrases defined in sections 2 to 6 have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.

History: 1978, Act 472, Imd. Eff. Oct. 19, 1978.

Constitutionality: In *Pletz v Secretary of State*, 125 Mich App 335; 336 NW2d 789 (1983), the Michigan Court of Appeals upheld all portions of 1978 PA 472 from facial attack except for “the disclosure requirements contained in MCL 7(1)(c) and 7(2)(d) and except for failure to provide an exemption for religious institutions.” Further, the Court of Appeals held that “the parts of the statute held to be invalid, namely MCL 7(1)(c), which requires registrants to disclose the identities of persons who contribute to their lobbying organizations, and MCL 7(2)(d), which imposes similar disclosure duties upon lobbyist agents, may be severed and separated from 1978 PA 472 because the remainder is consistent with the aim of the Legislature to regulate lobbyists, lobbyist agents, and lobbying activities.” Leave to appeal and cross-appeal denied September 21, 1983. *Pletz v Secretary of State*, 417 Mich 1100.20 (1983).

Popular name: Lobby Act