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M. of A. CAHILL, COLTON, GOODELL, MAGEE, ORTIZ, THIELE -- read once  
and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations

AN ACT to amend the legislative law, in relation to restrictions on  
political contributions from lobbyists

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1     Section 1. Sections 1-u and 1-v of the legislative law are renumbered  
2     sections 1-w and 1-x and two new sections 1-u and 1-v are added to read  
3     as follows:  
4     S 1-U. RESTRICTIONS ON POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS BY LOBBYISTS. A LOBBY-  
5     IST SHALL NOT SOLICIT, MAKE OR TRANSMIT A CONTRIBUTION OR A REQUEST FOR  
6     A CONTRIBUTION FROM OR TO ANY PERSON, INCLUDING A POLITICAL COMMITTEE  
7     FOR THE BENEFIT OF A PUBLIC OFFICIAL OR PARTY COMMITTEE, FOR ELECTION TO  
8     ANY STATE OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OFFICE; EXCEPT THAT A LOBBYIST MAY  
9     MAKE A POLITICAL CONTRIBUTION UP TO TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS PER CANDI-  
10    DATE PER ELECTION; PROVIDED HOWEVER, THAT FOR STATE LEVEL PUBLIC OFFI-  
11    CIALS, SUCH CONTRIBUTION MAY ONLY BE MADE BETWEEN JULY FIRST AND DECEM-  
12    BER THIRTY-FIRST.  
13    S 1-V. RESTRICTIONS ON ACCEPTANCE OF POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS BY PUBLIC  
14    OFFICIALS. A PUBLIC OFFICIAL SHALL NOT KNOWINGLY ACCEPT, SOLICIT, OR  
15    TRANSMIT A CONTRIBUTION OR A REQUEST FOR A CONTRIBUTION FOR HIMSELF OR  
16    HERSELF OR ANY PUBLIC OFFICIAL, POLITICAL COMMITTEE, OR CANDIDATE FROM  
17    OR ON BEHALF OF ANY LOBBYIST REGULATED BY THIS ARTICLE, EXCEPT THAT A  
18    PUBLIC OFFICIAL MAY ACCEPT POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS FROM A LOBBYIST, UP  
19    TO TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS PER ELECTION; PROVIDED HOWEVER, THAT FOR  
20    STATE LEVEL PUBLIC OFFICIALS, SUCH CONTRIBUTION MAY ONLY BE MADE BETWEEN  
21    JULY FIRST AND DECEMBER THIRTY-FIRST.  
22    S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets  
[ ] is old law to be omitted.

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