

CITY OF MADISON, WISCONSIN

AN ALTERNATE
ORDINANCE _____

PRESENTED July 7, 2015
REFERRED Ethics Committee, CCOC

Creating Sections 2.40(4)(h) and 3.30(4) of the Madison General Ordinances to prohibit a person who is registered as a lobbyist under City Ordinances from serving as a member of any permanent or temporary City board, commission or committee.

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DRAFTER'S ANALYSIS: This proposal would prohibit a person who is registered as a lobbyist under City Ordinances from serving as a member of any permanent or temporary City board, commission or committee, unless the sub-unit's responsibilities are unrelated to the subject areas which the lobbyist is attempting to influence and the lobbyist files an affidavit to that effect.

The Common Council of the City of Madison do hereby ordain as follows:

1. Subdivision (h) of Subsection (4) entitled "Prohibited Practices" of Section 2.40 entitled "Lobbying Regulated" of the Madison General Ordinances is created to read as follows:

"(h) No lobbyist may serve as a member of any ad hoc or standing sub-unit, including, but not limited to, any City board, committee, commission, task force or similar body unless the sub-unit's responsibilities are unrelated to the general areas of legislative and administrative actions which the lobbyist is attempting to influence."

2. Subsection (4) of Section 3.30 entitled "Qualifications--City Officers, Members of Commissions, and Employees" of the Madison General Ordinances is created to read as follows:

"(4) Lobbyists: Boards, Commissions and Committees. No person who is registered as a lobbyist, pursuant to Sec. 2.40 MGO, may serve as a member of any ad hoc or standing sub-unit, including, but not limited to, any City board, committee, commission, task force or similar body unless the sub-unit's responsibilities are unrelated to the general areas of legislative and administrative actions which the lobbyist is attempting to influence. In the event that any person who is a member of any ad-hoc or standing subunit registers as a lobbyist pursuant to Sec. 2.40 his or her position shall be deemed vacated unless he or she files an affidavit that the matters he or she will be attempting to influence as a lobbyist are unrelated to those matters considered by the sub-unit of which he or she is a member. Such vacancy shall be filled in the manner prescribed by law or ordinance for the original appointment of that position."

Approved as to form: