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**Lobbyist Expenditure and Political Contribution Reports Due
to Secretary of State's Office Today**

SANTA FE – Secretary of State Maggie Toulouse Oliver announces that all registered New Mexico lobbyists who are compensated for their services are required to file their expenditure and political contribution reports with her office by 11:59 p.m. tonight, October 3, 2018.

“These reports bring greater transparency to how lobbyists spend money and influence our state and local government,” said Secretary of State Maggie Toulouse Oliver. “Our government more effectively responds to the needs of New Mexicans when there is a clear understanding of who spends money to affect policy and how they spend that money.”

Reports due today cover the May 8, 2018 – October 1, 2018 reporting period.

Lobbyists are required to disclose each expenditure made or incurred during the reporting period totaling \$100 or more and separated into the following categories: meals and beverages; other entertainment expenditures; and other expenditures. The reports must also include political contributions made by the lobbyist or the lobbyist's employer.

Guidelines on how to comply with all state lobbying requirements can be found in the *Lobbyist Regulation Act Reporting Guidelines* on the [Secretary of State's website](#).

Further, all candidates, campaign committees, and political action committees are required to submit their Second General Election Report on Monday, October 8, 2018 (please note that this is Indigenous People's Day/Columbus Day and though the Secretary of State's Office will be closed reports are still due). Additionally, the Second Biannual Report for non-candidates is also due Monday, October 8, 2018.

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