WAC 390-20-143 Application of lobbying provisions to organizations. (1) A lobbyist other than an individual will be considered to have properly restricted its lobbying activities and is eligible for the RCW 29B.50.040(5) "casual lobbying" exemption during any three-month period in which its agents or employees do not make an expenditure of more than $100 for or on behalf of legislators, state elected officials, public officers or employees of the state of Washington.

(2) A lobbyist other than an individual which does sponsor or coordinate or directly make unreported expenditures exceeding $100 during a three-month period, as fully described in subsection (1) of this section, must register and report as required by RCW 29B.50.010 and 29B.50.050: Provided, that it can satisfy these requirements by having an individual agent (a) register and report as a lobbyist, and (b) include a report of these and all other lobbying expenditures made on behalf of the individual during that three-month period as part of the L-2 Report.

(3) An entity including, but not limited to, a law firm, consulting firm, advertising agency, or other similar organization, which receives or expects to receive compensation for lobbying from any person, must register and report as a lobbyist pursuant to RCW 29B.50.010 and 29B.50.050: Provided, that membership dues or contributions to a nonprofit organization made for the purpose of promoting a general interest and not in return for lobbying on behalf of any specific member or contributor will not be regarded as compensation for this purpose. Registration statements and reports must list as the lobbyists both the firm or organization and each individual acting on its behalf. The person paying the compensation must report under RCW 29B.50.080 as a lobbyist's employer.

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