What do the amendments in the Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2024, mean for my lobbying registration?

This infographic highlights changes to lobbying reporting requirements introduced by the Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2024. These changes came into force on May 27, 2025.

AMENDMENT HIGHLIGHTS

- The requirement to report requested government funding has been removed.
- The due date to report received government funding has been extended.
- Clarifications have been made on existing filing requirements, including lobbyists, clients and organizations working together for the purpose of lobbying, and when and how filing obligations end.

REQUESTED GOVERNMENT FUNDING



Designated Filers are no longer required to report requested government funding.



However, Designated Filers still need to report received government funding.

See details on timing _____

For more information, see our <u>Government Funding</u> guidance document.

REPORTING TIMELINE EXTENSION

Designated Filers must continue to report received government funding from the previous 12 months as part of their new or reactivated



Registration Return (due 10 calendar days after lobbying starts or resumes).

The deadline to report additional government funding received after the Registration Return is filed has been extended. Filers now have 3 months plus 15 days following the month in which government funding was received to report the funding. See table below for details.

Designated Filers may continue to file received government funding information on a monthly basis, if they choose to do so.

WHEN DO I NEED TO REPORT RECEIVED GOVERNMENT FUNDING?

Table of due dates to report received government funding information.

Month funding is received	Due date to report received funding in the
	Lobbyists Registry
January	May 15 th
February	June 15 th
March	July 15 th
April	August 15 th
May	September 15 th
June	October 15 th
July	November 15 th
August	December 15 th
September	January 15 th
October	February 15 th
November	March 15 th
December	April 15 th

CLARIFYING EXISTING REQUIREMENTS

- Section 4(1)(h): the language around 'coalition' lobbying has been updated for clarity, but the requirement remains the same. Designated Filers are required to report the name and business address of any other client or organization who they work with for the purpose of lobbying and has a direct interest in the outcome of the lobbying activities.
- Section 4.4: When and how filing obligations end: When a consultant lobbyist or an
 organization ceases lobbying, the Designated Filer has 30 days after the month in which
 lobbying stops to end their Registration Return in the Lobbyists Registry. To do so, they
 must submit any outstanding information that otherwise would have been submitted in a
 Monthly Return or any outstanding information on received government funding up to
 the date the lobbying ceased.

QUESTIONS?

Please feel free to contact the ORL by email at info@bcorl.ca or by calling 250-387-2686.

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