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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Ethics Law - Regulated Lobbyists - Employment as Political Consultants Prohibited**

3 FOR the purpose of prohibiting a regulated lobbyist from being engaged for
4 compensation as a political consultant to a member of, or candidate for election to,
5 the General Assembly.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
7 Article - State Government
8 Section 15-706
9 Annotated Code of Maryland
10 (1995 Replacement Volume)

11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
12 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

13 **Article - State Government**

14 15-706.

15 (A) A regulated lobbyist may not be engaged for lobbying purposes for
16 compensation that is dependent in any manner on:

17 (1) (i) the enactment or defeat of legislation; or

18 (ii) any other contingency related to legislative action; or

19 (2) (i) the outcome of any executive action relating to the solicitation or
20 securing of a procurement contract; or

21 (ii) any other contingency related to executive action.

22 (B) A REGULATED LOBBYIST MAY NOT BE ENGAGED FOR COMPENSATION AS
23 A POLITICAL CONSULTANT TO A MEMBER OF, OR CANDIDATE FOR ELECTION TO,
24 THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

25 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
26 October 1, 1996.