

BY: Environmental Matters Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 191

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, strike line 2 in its entirety and substitute "Lobbyist Registration Fund - Registration Fees and Reversion of Unused Funds"; in line 4, after "Commission" insert "; requiring that any unused balance in the Lobbyist Registration Fund at the end of any fiscal year revert to the General Fund of the State; and generally relating to the Lobbyist Registration Fund"; and in line 7, after "Section" insert "15-210 and".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, after line 12, insert:

"15-210.

(a) (1) There is a Lobbyist Registration Fund.

(2) The Fund includes all fees collected under Subtitle 7 of this title.

(b) (1) The Fund is a continuing, nonlapsing fund [that is not subject to § 7-302 of the State Finance and Procurement Article].

(2) ANY BALANCE REMAINING IN THE FUND AT THE END OF ANY FISCAL YEAR SHALL REVERT TO THE GENERAL FUND OF THE STATE.

(c) (1) The Treasurer shall separately hold, and the Comptroller shall account for, the Fund.

(2) The Fund shall be invested and reinvested in the same manner as other State funds.

(Over)

(3) Expenditures from the Fund shall be made in accordance with an appropriation approved by the General Assembly in the annual budget.

(d) The Fund shall be used to defray the expenses of administering Subtitle 7 of this title.”.