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Rev. 05/2008 LOBBYIST REPORT FORM Page of Page(s) THIS SPACE FOR OFFICE USE ONLY **SEMI-ANNUAL** ANNUAL State of Idaho 09 JAN 30 PM 4: 28 Ben Ysursa SCULLIAN UT STATE To Be Filed By: Secretary of State STATE OF IDAHO LOBBYISTS L-2 (Sec. 67-6619) (Type or print clearly in black ink) See instructions at bottom of page Lobbyist's name and permanent business address Date prepared Period covered Toni Lawson year ending P O Box 1278 (Mo.) (Day) (Yr.) Boise, ID 83701-1278 01/30/2009 2009 12 31 Item Totals of all reportable expenditures made or incurred by Lobbyist or by Lobbyist's Employer on behalf of Lobbyist's Employer. Proportionate amounts contributed by each employer (Identify employers, under Category of Expenditure *Total Amount for Item 3, at bottom of page.) Reimbursed Personal Living and Travel Expenses Pertaining to Lobbying Activity All Employers Do Not Have to be Reported Employer No. 1 Employer No. 2 Employer No. 3 Employer No. 4 Entertainment 3,754.90 3,754.90 Food and Refreshment Living Accommodations Advertising 1,038.60 1,038.60 Trave! Telephone 360.00 360.00 Other Expenses or Services 5,153.50 5,153.50 0.00 0.00 0.00 Total *When the number of employers you are reporting for requires multiple L-2 forms to be filed a total amount for all employers should be entered on Page 1. The totals of each expenditure of more than seventy-five dollars (\$75) for a legislator, other holder of public office, executive officials and member(s) of their household. Item-Names of Legislators, Public and Executive Officials 2 Place Amount Date and Household Members in Group NONE Continued on attached page(s) Item 3 INSTRUCTIONS Employer(s) Name(s) and Address(es) Idaho Hospital Association Who should file this form: Any lobbyist registered under Section 67-6617 Idaho Code P O Box 1278 Boise, ID 83701-1278 Filing deadline: Annual report is due on January 31st. Executive Lobbyist semi-annual report due July 31st. No. 2

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IHA Sponsored Legislation

Bill #	Overview & Supporting Documents	Final Status
H0443	Idaho Hospital Assessment Act (aka Private Hospital UPL Legislation) the bill was sponsored by Rep. Fred Wood (R-Burley) and Sen. Denton Darrington (R-Declo). 3/17 update: The bill was signed into law .	Governor signed Session Law Chapter 91 Effective: 7/1/08
SJR105	Idaho Hospital Funding Constitutional Amendment - If approved by the Legislature as well as a popular vote, the resolution would allow for a constitutional amendment allowing publicly owned hospitals to incur indebtedness or liability without a public vote provided that no ad valorem tax revenue is used. The amendment would be under the same section as that which allows hospitals to joint venture without voter approval. This resolution is a partner to SJR107.	Not taken up initially because HJR5 was viewed as a replacement for SJR105 and SJR107. After failure of HJR5 in the Senate, the House Majority Leader refused to advance SJR105.
SJR107	Funding for Public Entities - If approved by both the Legislature and during a popular vote, this constitutional amendment would allow revenue-generating public entities to incur some types of indebtedness and seek multi-year contracts without a public vote provided that user fees, not tax revenue, it used.	Senate Passed: 34-0-1 House Failed: 36-33-1
HJR005	<u>Funding for Public Entities</u> - This was an 11th hour piece of legislation designed to take the place of both Senate Joint Resolutions. This dealt only with public hospitals, the "power" cities (those owning their own utility operations), and airports. It did not include either cities or counties.	House Passed: 66-0-4 Senate Failed (23-11- 1)to get 2/3 majority by a single vote.

Priority Healthcare Legislation

Bill #	Position, Rationale, & Update	Final Status
H0 4 88	<u>Midwifery</u> - Creates voluntary licensure for lay midwives through the Bureau of Occupational Licenses. The bill, if passed, would increase the scope of practice to include the ability to administer some medications. (OPPOSE).	Returned to the House Health & Welfare committee after Attorney General's opinion highlighted potential problems.
H0579	<u>Taxing Districts</u> - Provides a mechanism for the voters of certain taxing districts to reduce via a public vote, the property tax portion of the taxing district's budget, should the item exceed \$250,000. (OPPOSE)	Passed House, failed to gain hearing in Senate committee.
HCR041	Medicaid Funded by DSH - This resolution urges the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare to use portions of the Medicaid Disproportionate Share Hospital funds to help individuals retain private health insurance. (OPPOSE)	Failed in House Health & Welfare committee.

Other Health Related Information

Bill # Title & Description Status

H0344	Income Tax Withholding — This bill simplifies the year-end income tax withholding reports employers now must file with the State Tax Commission by combining two filings (W2 copies and the annual reconciliation of the amounts reported on the W-2s) into a single filing.	Governor signed Session Law Chapter 5 Effective: 7/1/08
H0357	<u>Sales Tax</u> - Revises the sales and use tax exemptions for medical prescriptions to clarify that the exemptions apply to all practitioners authorized by code to prescribe (including physician assistants); and to include dental fillings.	Governor signed Session Law Chapter 19 Effective: 7/1/08
H0388	Nursing Licensure and Discipline - Corrects code relating to nurse licensure and clarifies disciplinary grounds for misuse of alcohol and drugs, and for failure to comply with a board order, negotiated settlement or probationary agreement, or to pay fines or costs assessed in a prior disciplinary proceeding as independent grounds for additional disciplinary action.	Governor signed Session Law Chapter 679 Effective: 7/1/08
H0489	<u>Health Quality Planning Commission</u> - This bill would extend the sunset date from the Health Quality Planning Commission and add "lay" reporting to the tasks of the Commission.	Governor signed Session Law Chapter 679 Effective: 7/1/08 - part 1 Effective: 7/1/10 - part 2
H0509	<u>Prescription Drug Program</u> - Establishes the Idaho Prescription Drug Program within the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare to provide those uninsured and underinsured with rates not available to them but available to those in group plans to purchase medications.	Failed to be heard in committee.
HJM006	<u>Skilled Nursing Facilities</u> - This resolution would compel Idaho's congressional delegation and others to improve the federal survey process for skilled nursing facilities.	House Adopted Senate Adopted
HCR035	<u>Small Business Health Insurance</u> - Directs the Legislative Council to create an interim committee to study and recommend solutions to assist small business owners in paying for health insurance for themselves and their employees.	Failed to be heard in committee.
HCR040	Medicaid Medication Therapy - A concurrent resolution encouraging the Department of Health and Welfare to proceed with developing a Medicaid Medication Therapy Management program.	Failed to be heard in committee.
S1320	<u>Medical Services for Prisoners</u> - Provide that the Board of Correction shall pay for medical services for prisoners committed only to the custody of the Department of Correction.	Governor signed Session Law Chapter 61 Effective: 7/1/08
S1364	Naturopath Licensing - Repeals the Naturopathic Physicians Licensing Act.	Was replaced by S1425 (below).
S1386	<u>Authorization of Medications</u> - Creates a Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee within the Dept. of Health and Welfare charged making non-binding recommendations concerning administration of the department's prescription drug program. Additionally, the bill authorizes a physician to prescribe medication without prior departmental authorization if, in the physician's opinion, the medication is medically necessary for a specific patient or if the drug has previously been approved by the department for that patient's medical condition.	Failed to be heard in committee.
S1425	Naturopath Licensing - Identifies the educational and exam standards for naturopathic physicians. Because, the current board has been operable for 2 years and has not been able to draft rules to pass the legislature, but has issued licenses, this change provides for new board members to be appointed who meet the standards of the statute. These changes provide licensure for	Governor signed Session Law Chapter 406

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those who were medically trained as naturopathic physicians while continuing to allow for naturopaths with limited training, and natural health care workers to continue to practice.

Effective: 4/11/08

S1426

Mental Illness Hospitalization - This legislation is the recommendation of the Sub-Committee on Mental Health of the Health Care Task Force. The group, following the study of the involuntary commitment process and laws in Idaho, is proposing minor adjustments in an attempt to improve identified deficiencies.

Governor signed Session Law Chapter 331 Effective: 7/1/08

House / Senate Abbreviations

Ag Aff - Agricultural Affairs Approp - Appropriations Bus - Business

Com/HR - Commerce & Human Resources

Educ - Education

Envir - Environment, Energy & Technology

Fin - Finanace
H/W - Health & Welfare
JFAC - Joint Finance & Appropriation Committee
Jud - Judiciary, Rules & Administration
Loc Gov - Local Government
Res/Con - Resources & Conversation

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W/M - Way and Means