



Statement of Justification and Reasons for Adoption of Temporary Rules

Office of the Secretary of State Rules Concerning Lobbyist Regulation 8 CCR 1505-8

May 28, 2021

New Rules: 1.1, 1.9, 1.10 and 4.

Maintain renumbering and cross-reference updates that were temporarily adopted on March 1, 2021.

In accordance with Colorado Laws Regarding Lobbyist Regulation,¹ the Secretary of State finds that certain amendments to the existing Rules Concerning Lobbyist Regulation must be adopted and effective immediately to ensure the uniform and proper administration and enforcement of Colorado Laws Regarding Lobbyist Regulation.

On March 1, 2021, the Secretary temporarily adopted rules to facilitate implementation of Sections 44.2(4)(b)(III) and 48(4)(b)(III) of Article V of the Colorado Constitution and to cover the new registration and reporting requirements for persons advocating before one of the newly created redistricting commissions. Today, the Secretary permanently adopted the rules including additional amendments. Simultaneously, the Secretary adopts these rules on a temporary basis. The rules are immediately effective as is necessary to ensure continuity of the rules and to provide clear guidance to interested parties, including, but not limited to: professional lobbyists, lobbying firms, redistricting commission lobbyists, volunteer lobbyists, lobbyist clients, state liaisons, and the general public.

For these reasons, and in accordance with the State Administrative Procedure Act, the Secretary of State finds that temporary adoption of the amendments to existing Rules Concerning Lobbyist Regulation is imperatively necessary to comply with state and federal law and to promote public interests.²

¹ Part 3 of Article 6 of Title 24, C.R.S. (2020).

² Section 24-4-103(3) (6), C.R.S. (2020).