

NEWS FROM Councilman Dennis P. Zine

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ZINE INTRODUCES LEGISLATION TO REFORM LOBBYIST DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

(Los Angeles) - In a move to improve the City of Los Angeles's public disclosure system for paid lobbyists, and to enhance public trust in the City's decision-making process, Councilman Dennis P. Zine introduced a motion today which would require elected officials to document contact with registered lobbyists.

Zine's motion asks for the Ethics Commission and the City Attorney to report on recommendations for instituting a system in which all City elected officials would be required to track and record contact with paid lobbyists.

At a time when the federal government is examining legislation regarding lobbyist donations and gifts, Councilman Zine, stated "It is in the City's best interest to also examine our current policy and publicly disclose the information which can help to restore faith in government," said Zine, "As City officials, we are accountable to the constituents which we represent."

This motion will be referred to the Rules and Elections Committee of the City Council, of which Zine is a member, for review and consideration.

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