Testimony in support of H7179: RI Lobbying Reform Act

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To Chair Shanley and the honorable Members of the House Committee on State Government and Elections:

I strongly support H7179 because it prohibits lobbyists from making financial contributions during the legislative session and avoids a possibility for corruption. I also recommend clarifying the language and define the term "political contribution" as "financial contribution"—assuming that this is the intent.

I urge you to support H7179, so it can get to a vote in 2024.

Thank you very much for considering my input.

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