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H. R. 8695

To amend the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 to create a unique identification number for registered lobbyists, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. PORTER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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a unique identification number for registered lobbyists,
and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Lobbying Disclosure
5 Modernization Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. UPDATES TO THE LOBBYING DISCLOSURE SYSTEM.**

7 (a) WEBSITE.—

8 (1) FILING.—The second sentence of section
9 5(e) of the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (2
10 U.S.C. 1604(e)) is amended to read as follows: “The

1 Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House
2 of Representatives shall jointly use one publicly
3 available website for receipt and recording of filings
4 under this Act.”.

5 (2) STORAGE.—Section 6(a)(9) of the Lobbying
6 Disclosure Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1605(a)(9)) by
7 striking “over the Internet,” and inserting “over the
8 Internet on a website jointly maintained by the Sec-
9 retary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of
10 Representatives,”.

11 (b) UNIQUE IDENTIFIER.—Section 6(a)(3) of the
12 Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1605(a)(3))
13 is amended—

14 (1) by striking “and” at the end of subpara-
15 graph (A);

16 (2) by adding “and” after the semicolon the
17 end of subparagraph (B); and

18 (3) by adding after subparagraph (B) the fol-
19 lowing:

20 “(C) a system that assigns a unique identi-
21 fication number for each lobbyist for whom a
22 registration or report is filed under this Act and
23 discloses such identifier to the public as struc-
24 tured data as part of the lobbying disclosure
25 downloads;”.

1 (c) DEADLINE.—The Secretary of the Senate and the
2 Clerk of the House of Representatives shall have one year
3 from the date of enactment of this Act to fulfill the re-
4 quirements of the amendments made under this section.

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