

109TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# H. R. 4671

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 31, 2006

Mr. GARRETT of New Jersey introduced the following bill; which was referred  
to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## A BILL

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provided.

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 “Clarity in Lobbying  
5       Act”.

6       **SEC. 2. REPORTING BY LOBBYISTS OF GIFTS TO CONGRES-**  
7       **SIONAL OFFICES.**

8       Section 5(b) of the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995  
9       (2 U.S.C. 1604(b)) is amended—

1           (1) in paragraph (3), by striking “and” after  
2       the semicolon;

3           (2) in paragraph (4), by striking the period and  
4       inserting “; and”; and

5           (3) by adding at the end the following:

6           “(5) the recipient and amount of any gift given  
7       by a registrant or employee listed as a lobbyist to a  
8       covered legislative branch official.

9   For purposes of paragraph (5), the term ‘gift’ means a  
10   gratuity, favor, discount, entertainment, hospitality, loan,  
11   forbearance, or other item having monetary value. The  
12   term includes gifts of services, training, transportation,  
13   lodging, and meals, whether provided in kind, by purchase  
14   of a ticket, payment in advance, or reimbursement after  
15   the expense has been incurred.”.

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