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## PRESS ADVISORY

Executive Director Frederick M. Herrmann announced today that the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission is proposing amendments to its rules concerning Lobbyists and Governmental Affairs Agents, N.J.A.C. 19:25-20, to clarify portions of the Legislative and Governmental Process Activities Act, N.J.S.A. 52:13C-18 *et seq.*

According to Herrmann, among other provisions, the proposed amendments:

- Clarify that the term “member” can mean an organization as well as an individual;
- Clarify lobbying terminology by adding a new definition, “reporting entity,” to have the same meaning as “lobbyist”;
- Provide a definition for the “administrative proceeding” exemption from lobbying reporting requirements;
- Clarify recordkeeping requirements for persons who undertake communications with the general public; and,
- Require consent to service of process from a governmental affairs agent or lobbyist who is not a resident of New Jersey, is not a New Jersey corporation, or is not authorized to do business in New Jersey.

The proposed new rules will appear in the New Jersey Register on February 20, 2007, and are currently available on the Commission’s website at [www.elec.state.nj.us](http://www.elec.state.nj.us). Copies of the Commission’s proposal may also be obtained by calling the Commission at (609) 292-8700.

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Located at: 28 W. State Street, 13<sup>th</sup> Floor, Trenton, New Jersey

The Commission will conduct a hearing to elicit public comment concerning the proposal on **Tuesday, March 20, 2007** at 10:15 A.M. at:

Election Law Enforcement Commission  
Edward J. Farrell Memorial Conference Room  
28 West State Street, 12th Floor  
Trenton, New Jersey

Herrmann noted that the Commission invites participation in this hearing and requests that any testimony be limited to no more than ten minutes. Persons wishing to testify at the **March 20, 2007** hearing are requested to reserve time to speak by contacting Administrative Assistant Elbia L. Zeppetelli at (609) 292-8700 no later than Friday, March 16, 2007.

Written comments must be received no later than April 23, 2007. Send comments to:

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