2007 SENATE BILL 276

October 2, 2007 − Introduced by Senators S. FITZGERALD, DARLING, A. LASEE and LEIBHAM, cosponsored by Representatives BALLWEG, HAHN, HONADEL, NYGREN, TOWNSEND, VAN ROY and VOS. Referred to Committee on Ethics Reform and Government Operations.

AN ACT ***to create*** 13.625 (1) (e) of the statutes; **relating to:** service by a lobbyist as the state chairperson of a political party.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill prohibits any lobbyist (a person who is employed or retained by a principal to attempt to influence state law making or rule making), while employed or retained as such, from serving as the state chairperson of a political party. Violators are subject to a forfeiture (civil penalty) of not more than $1,000 for each violation.

Currently, there is no similar prohibition.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 13.625 (1) (e) of the statutes is created to read:

13.625 **(1)** (e) While so employed or retained, serve as the state chairperson of a political party, as defined in s. 5.02 (13).

(END)