



New South Wales

Lobbying of Government Officials Amendment (Lobbyists Code of Conduct) Regulation 2014

under the

Lobbying of Government Officials Act 2011

His Excellency the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, has made the following Regulation under the *Lobbying of Government Officials Act 2011*.

MIKE BAIRD, MP
Premier

Explanatory note

The object of this Regulation is to amend the *Lobbying of Government Officials (Lobbyists Code of Conduct) Regulation 2014* to enable contraventions of the pre-existing NSW Government Lobbyists Code of Conduct to be grounds for cancellation or suspension of registration under the Lobbyists Register established under the *Lobbying of Government Officials Act 2011*.

This Regulation is made under the *Lobbying of Government Officials Act 2011*, including sections 9 (7) (e) and 21 (the general regulation-making power) of, and clause 1 (1) of Schedule 1 to, that Act.

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1 Name of Regulation

This Regulation is the *Lobbying of Government Officials Amendment (Lobbyists Code of Conduct) Regulation 2014*.

2 Commencement

This Regulation commences on the day on which it is published on the NSW legislation website.

3 Amendment of Lobbying of Government Officials (Lobbyists Code of Conduct) Regulation 2014

Clause 7

Insert after clause 6:

7 Additional grounds for cancellation or suspension of registration

- (1) The Electoral Commission may cancel or suspend the registration of a third-party lobbyist (or any individual engaged to undertake lobbying for a third-party lobbyist) if the lobbyist (or an individual so engaged) contravened the former Lobbyist Code before the commencement of this Regulation.
- (2) This clause does not apply to a contravention of the former Lobbyist Code if, before that commencement, the Secretary had considered the contravention and determined whether or not to take action in relation to the registration of the lobbyist or individual on the former Register of Lobbyists.
- (3) In this clause:
former Lobbyist Code means the NSW Government Lobbyist Code of Conduct administered by the Secretary immediately before the commencement of this Regulation.
former Register of Lobbyists means the Register of Lobbyists kept by the Secretary immediately before the commencement of this Regulation.
Secretary means the Secretary of the Department of Premier and Cabinet.