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Even though I am usually not a proponent of regulations I do readily accept this one as being good. Lobbyists in this country look to control the regulations in their parties favor as they are supposed to do. Though when it comes to the matter of bribing a person to push your agenda I believe that the line needs to be drawn there. This is why rules need to be set as definitively as possible as though people can have no chance of circumventing them. President Obama?s act of making people sign an ?Ethics Pledge? is I believe very well. This is because those people are

appointed through the President and that is at the top of our government. If these people could collect gifts than they would be able to sway the President or other high ranking officials in interests that may not be for the common good.

Though I do like the per diem requirement because it does not give a very wide spectrum to sway interests in one way or another I do think that this can still be abused. Who is to say that a few lobbyists do not together who are all independently working and have vested interests get together and spend a hundred dollars on the meal instead of twenty? Yes, this is a very unique scenario that may not happen often but if it?s about the money then whom is to stop them?

I believe that these new regulation procedures follow the best interests of the United States people and I support this docket.



Signed,