Occupational Board Reform Act Survey Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission October 5, 2020

Provide an explanation of why you believe or do not believe that the occupational regulations overseen by your board have been effective.

Agency Response: The rationale behind the registration law is that members of the Legislature and members of the public should know the identity of those attempting to affect the Legislature, who they are representing and how much money is being spent in the process. Every year this information is available on the Nebraska Legislature website.

Provide a comparison of whether and how other states regulate the occupation.

Agency Response: Virtually every state requires those attempting to influence its legislative bodies to register as lobbyists. In Nebraska the registration becomes a requirement prior to commencing activity. Some states follow this practice. Others do not require registration until a certain dollar threshold is reached. Nebraska requires quarterly reporting of receipts and expenditures by category. No detail is required beyond the dollar amounts. A number of states require more frequent and more extensive reporting.