

MEMORANDUM

Amended
Agenda Item No. 11(A)(7)

TO: Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

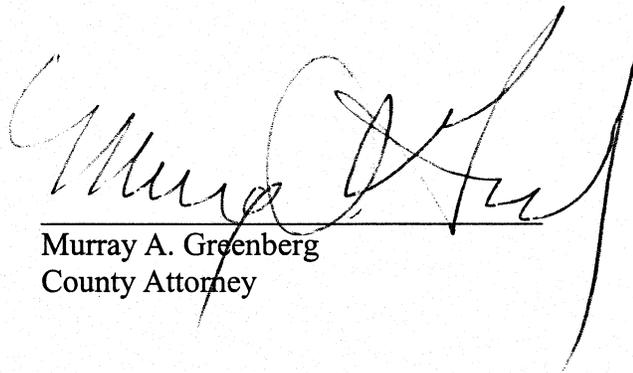
DATE: July 18, 2006

FROM: Murray A. Greenberg
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution prohibiting State
Contract Lobbyists from
lobbying the Board of County
Commissioners during the
regular State Legislative
Session

R#885-06

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Commissioner Katy Sorenson.



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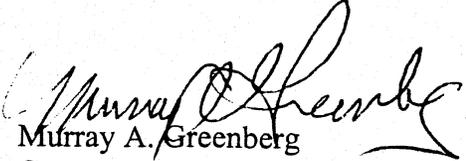
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Please note any items checked.

- "4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised
- 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- Budget required
- Statement of fiscal impact required
- Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
- Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
- Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
- No committee review

Approved _____ Mayor

Veto _____

Override _____

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RESOLUTION NO. 885-06

RESOLUTION PROHIBITING INDIVIDUALS REGISTERED TO LOBBY ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY AT THE STATE LEVEL FROM LOBBYING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS DURING THE REGULAR STATE LEGISLATIVE SESSION; PROVIDING EXCEPTIONS

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County annually hires contract lobbyists to advocate for the County's legislative agenda before the Florida Legislature; and

WHEREAS, many of the County's state contract lobbyists also lobby the Board of County Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, other counties, including Broward County, prohibit their state contract lobbyists from lobbying the Board of County Commissioners during the state legislative session; and

WHEREAS, such lobbying presents an inherent conflict of interest,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:

Section 1. Any individual registered as a contract lobbyist to lobby the State Legislature on behalf of the County shall be prohibited from lobbying the Board of County Commissioners during the regular state legislative session.

Section 2. Section 1 shall not prohibit members of a firm who are not registered as state legislative contract lobbyists for the County from lobbying the Board of County Commissioners, even if one or more members of the firm are registered to lobby the State Legislature on behalf of the County.

Section 3. Section 1 shall not apply to any individual lobbying the Board of County Commissioners on behalf of a section 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization.

Section 4. County staff is directed to provide each commissioner with a list at the beginning of each session of all County contract lobbyists registered to lobby the legislative branch at the state level on behalf of the County, and any subsequent changes or updates to such a list.

Section 5. This resolution applies to all lobbyists currently under contract with the County, either as a prime contractor or a subcontractor, and County staff is directed to incorporate the provisions of this resolution into the terms of future state lobbying contracts.

Section 6. A violation of this resolution shall result in the lobbyist's contract with the County being voided and a three-year ban on lobbying on behalf of the County being imposed.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Commissioner Katy Sorenson and offered by Commissioner _____, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner _____ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Joe A. Martinez, Chairman	
Dennis C. Moss, Vice-Chairman	
Bruno A. Barreiro	Jose "Pepe" Diaz
Audrey M. Edmonson	Carlos A. Gimenez
Sally A. Heyman	Barbara J. Jordan
Dorrin D. Rolle	Natacha Seijas
Katy Sorenson	Rebeca Sosa
Sen. Javier D. Souto	

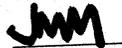
The Chairman thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 18th day of July, 2006. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.



Jess McCarty