LOBBYING TRACKER

Follow Washington influence using Sunlight’s Lobbying Tracker tools for keeping up with K street. Keep checking this page as we add more resources and tools to LobbyTrack.

Lobbying Registration Tracker

The Lobbyist Registration Tracker, updated weekly, shows which special interests have hired new lobbyists within the last 45 days and includes all registrants since 2008.

September 1
Registrant: Clark & Assoc
Client: Ally Financial Inc.

Foreign Lobbying Filings

Representatives of foreign governments, political parties and government-controlled entities must disclose detailed information about their work to influence U.S. policy. These are the latest filings submitted under the Foreign Agent Registration Act.

Filings On August 30
International Registries, Inc. submitted a Supplemental Statement. View filing...
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Charles E Schmer is the senior United States Senator from New York and a member of the Democratic Party. First elected in 1998, he defeated three-term Republican incumbent Al D'Amato by a margin of 55%–44%. He was easily re-elected in 2004 by a margin of 71%–24% and in 2010 by a margin of 66%–33%.


Current View: 1989 – 2012
Exclusive: GOP staff and lobbyist prep staff on law - McCarthy's 'Congress Broadway Weekend' in Big Apple - Dems rush for cash - Tyson jumps to NAFCU - POLITICO Influence - POLITICO.com

Original Source: www.politico.com

EXCLUSIVE ... GOP STAFF AND LOBBYIST PREP STAFF ON LAW: House GOP Conference Secretary John Carter (R-Texas) isn't relying only on staff to help brief aides on how to use the Congressional Review Act. He's also asked GOP lobbyist Eric Ueland to present at the meeting Sept. 14 that will "provide Republican legislative and communications staff with an overview of the law and procedural mechanics," according to an email alert sent out earlier this week.

While Ueland is lobbying the implementation of the health care law and the Dodd-Frank banking reform...
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Inbox Influence is a new tool from the Sunlight Foundation that allows you to see the political contributions of the people and organizations that are mentioned in emails you receive. This easy-to-use tool can be used for researching influence background on corporate correspondence, adding context to newspaper headlines or discovering who is behind political fundraising solicitations.

Inbox Influence provides details on any entity in the body of the email, plus information on both the sender of the email and the company from which it was sent. With it, you can even see how your friends and family have given to political campaigns. Perhaps Uncle Joe has more mainstream views after all?
A Meta-Analysis of Campaign Contributions' Impact on Roll Call Voting*

Douglas D. Roscoe, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth
Shannon Jenkins, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth

Objectives: Conventional wisdom about the link between campaign contributions and roll call votes is that contributions rarely matter because groups tend to give to like-minded legislators. This meta-analysis examines the conventional wisdom by analyzing published research on this topic. Methods: More than 30 studies are pooled to produce more than 356 individual tests of the contributions-roll call link. Extending meta-regression (Stanley and Jarrell, 1989), a logit meta-analysis is conducted to summarize the literature and assess the importance of various modeling choices. Results: We find that some, but not all, model specifications have an impact on whether significant results are present. Models that control for friendly giving by including a measure of legislators' ideology and that include more than one contributions variable are less likely to produce significant results. Conclusions: After considering the impact of model choice on study results, we conclude that one-third of roll call votes exhibit the impact of campaign contributions.

Since the Federal Election Commission began collecting campaign finance data three decades ago, much research has investigated the possibility that contributions influence how elected representatives vote on proposed pieces of legislation. As the cost of financing electoral campaigns has increased, many observers of American politics have become concerned that interest groups are buying the roll call votes of elected officials. However, political scientists who have examined whether such a link exists have tested to disprove these suspicions. In fact, over time a conventional wisdom, culled from an overview of the literature, has developed that asserts PAC contributions rarely exert an independent influence on roll call votes. Although legislators often cast roll call votes congruent with the interests and preferences of those groups that contributed to their campaigns, this correlation does not reflect influence but rather the tendency of interest groups to donate to like-minded legislators. When properly modeled, it is argued, analyses show that campaign contributions seldom change the votes of

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THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Pursuant to section 5 of House Resolution 375, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance:
I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Pursuant to section 4 of House Resolution 375, no legislative business will be conducted on this day.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Pursuant to sections 3 and 4 of House Resolution 375, the House stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on Wednesday, September 7, 2011. Accordingly (at 10 o'clock and 3 minutes a.m.), the House adjourned until...
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Prison Economics Help Drive Ariz. Immigration Law
by LAURA SULLIVAN

Listen to the Story
Morning Edition

October 28, 2010

Last year, two men showed up in Benson, Ariz., a small desert town 60 miles from the Mexico border, offering a deal.

Glenn Nichols, the Benson city manager, remembers the pitch.

"The gentleman that's the main thrust of this thing has a huge turquoise ring on his finger," Nichols said. "He's a great big huge guy and I equated him to a car salesman."

What he was selling was a prison for women
TRAVELODGE TO OPEN 26 NEW HOTELS IN 2010
Travel Lodge
7 January 2010

Today, budget hotel chain Travelodge announced that it would open 26 new hotels in 2010, creating over 500 new jobs. The new UK wide properties will see over 2,000 new rooms added to the Travelodge estate. The 2010 opening programme represents an investment of £115m and includes new hotels in Edinburgh, London, Aberdeen, and Chichester*. Travelodge's growth programme has maintained its focus on city centre and tourist locations with Colwyn Bay and Morecambe adding to its 37 strong seaside portfolio. Demand for budget branded accommodation in the UK was fuelled in 2009 by the rec... View full text
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