

Reporting and Registration Requirements under Ohio Law

The operation of the Ohio public pension plans is governed by specific statutes under Ohio law. These can be found in Chapters 101*, 102, 145, 742, 3307, 3309 and 5505 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Persons/entities doing business, or seeking to do business, with any of the Ohio public pension plans or making campaign contributions to, or on behalf of, a Board member or candidate for a Board position are governed by, and *may* be required to register or file reports with, the Joint Legislative Ethics Committee, the Ohio Ethics Commission, and/or the Ohio Secretary of State. The Ohio public pension plans cannot provide guidance about these requirements. To determine if these provisions apply to you, please contact the following agencies:

Joint Legislative Ethics Committee
50 West Broad Street, Suite 1308
Columbus, Ohio 43215
614-728-5100
<http://www.jlec-olig.state.oh.us>

Ohio Ethics Commission
8 East Long Street, 10th Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215
614-466-7090
<http://www.ethics.ohio.gov>

Ohio Secretary of State
30 East Broad Street, 14th Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43266
614-466-4980
<http://www.state.oh.us/sos/>

The Ohio state retirement systems advocate full compliance with all applicable laws, registration and reporting requirements. The duty to comply, and to register or report as applicable, is the sole responsibility of the individual or entity conducting the activities described above.

* According to Section 101.97 of the Ohio Revised Code, a copy of which is the next page, third party marketing fees are prohibited with limited exceptions.

R. C. 101.97 Contingent compensation agreements prohibited; incentive compensation plan.

- A. Except as provided in division (B) of this section, no person shall engage any person to influence retirement system decisions or conduct retirement system lobbying activity for compensation that is contingent in any way on the outcome of a retirement system decision and no person shall accept any engagement to influence retirement system decisions or conduct retirement system lobbying activity for compensation that is contingent in any way on the outcome of a retirement system decision.

- B. Division (A) of this section does not prohibit and shall not be construed to prohibit any person from compensating the person's sales employees pursuant to an incentive compensation plan, such as commission sales, if the incentive compensation plan is the same plan used to compensate similarly situated sales employees who are not retirement system lobbyists.