

LOBBYING

CHAPTER 182.

[S. B. No. 364—Duis]

PERSONAL LOBBYING PROHIBITED.

AN ACT to Prohibit Lobbying and to Regulate the Employment of Legislative Counsel and Legislative Agents by Persons or Corporations.

Be It Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:

§ 1. PERSONAL LOBBYING PROHIBITED.] It shall be unlawful for any person to act as legislative counsel or legislative agent, to attempt personally and directly to influence any member of the legislature to vote for or against any measure pending therein, otherwise than by appearing before the regular committees thereof, when in session, or by newspaper publications, or by public addresses, or by written or printed statements, arguments or briefs, delivered to each member of the legislature.

§ 2. LOBBYISTS NOT TO GO UPON THE FLOOR OF EITHER HOUSE.] It shall be unlawful for any person to act as legislative counsel or legislative agent, as defined herein, to go upon the floor of either house of the legislature, reserved for the members thereof, except upon the invitation of such house; and it shall be unlawful for any person to solicit support of or opposition to any measure from any member individually anywhere within the capitol, except as otherwise provided herein.

§ 3. Any person violating any provisions of this act shall for such offense be fined not less than fifty dollars nor more than five hundred dollars. It shall be the duty of the attorney general, upon information, to bring prosecutions for the violating of the provisions of this act.

§ 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved March 6, 1911.