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Comments *	<p>Increasingly we see the lines between government staff, party officials and lobbyists being blurred which undermines public confidence. Examples: [REDACTED] is a UCP official and regularly lobbies the UCP govt [REDACTED] [REDACTED] went directly from a lobbying role to senior govt staffer to lobbying role [REDACTED] went directly from a govt staffer to lobbyist. We need to implement a waiting period similar to that of the federal govt to unblur the lines between political appointee and lobbyist, as one can reasonably assume someone who was a staffer yesterday and a lobbyist today has disproportionate pull. Party officials should be precluded from lobbying govt officials of the same party stripe. In other examples registered lobbyists are lobbying ministries where immediate relatives are staffers, [REDACTED] lobbied the ministry where an immediate family member ([REDACTED]) was a staffer.</p>