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PART B:

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1. Are you currently or have you previously been a registered lobbyist in Alberta?
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No

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2. In which jurisdiction(s) elsewhere in Canada, if any, are you currently (or were previously) a registered lobbyist?
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N/A (never anywhere)

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3. Feedback
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Quite simply, nobody should be paid to try an influence government. Any corporate entity trying to influence government through lobbyist pressure should be subject to penalties paid to the Government. The only people who should be able to influence government are the constituents. When an MLA allows lobby influence to override the will of her or his constituents, that government official is no longer serving the people and responsible for the constituency, but instead is now serving corporate interests and responsible for shareholder profits. The oligarchal principals behind the act of attaining undemocratic influence over elected officials should be made illegal. Our elected officials can all too easily create a situation whereas conflicts of interests arise down the line (time) for their own personal financial gain. There is no place for those who would lobby, or otherwise pressure the government in effort to influence the workings of a democratic society.

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