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LOBBYING REPORT

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1. Registrant Name: **NATL SMALL BUSINESS ASSN** 1156 15TH STREET, NW Suite 1100, WASHINGTON, DC 20005 3. Principal place of business (if different from line 2): 4. Contact Name: MOLLY BROGAN Telephone: 2022938830 E-mail (optional): mbrogan@nsba.biz Senate ID #: 28550-12 House ID #: 7. Client Name: X Self TYPE OF REPORT 8. Year 2007 Midyear (January 1 - June 30): OR Year End (July 1 - December 31): X 9. Check if this filing amends a previously filed version of this report: 10. Check if this is a Termination Report:

=> Termination Date: 11. No Lobbying Activity: 🔲 INCOME OR EXPENSES Complete Either Line 12 OR Line 13 12. Lobbying Firms INCOME relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was: Less than \$10,000: \$10,000 or more: => Income (nearest \$20,000); Provide a good faith estimate, rounded to the nearest \$20,000, of all lobbying related income from the client (including all payments to the registrant by any other entity for lobbying activities on behalf of the client). 13. Organizations EXPENSES relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were: Less than \$10,000: -\$10,000 or more: X => Expenses (nearest \$20,000): 210,000.00 14. Reporting Method. Check box to indicate expense accounting method. See instructions for description of options. Method A. Reporting amounts using LDA definitions only

Method B. Reporting amounts under section 5033[b](8) of the Internal Revenue Code
Method C. Reporting amounts under section 162(e) of the Internal Revenue Code

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LOBBYING ACTIVITY.

Select as many codes as necessary to reflect the general issue areas in which the registrant engaged in lobbying on behalf of the client during the reporting period. Using a separate page for each code, provide information as requested. Attach additional page(s) as needed

- 15. General issue area code: SMB (one per page)
- 16. Specific lobbying issues:

S. 910 | Healthy Families Act Bill to expand the Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) to require that employers with 15 or more employees provide up to 7 paid sick-leave days to their employees. NSBA opposed S. 1041 Bill would eliminate workplace union petition and elections process by allowing employees to sign off on a check card to indicate their support of unionization. NSBA opposed S. 1145, the Patent Reform Act of 2007 Bill would provide comprehensive reform the U.S. patent system. NSBA opposed. S. 1348 Comprehensive Immigration Reform Act of 2007 Broad reform language to overhaul the current immigration system in the U.S. NSBA raised concerns over Title III concerning employer verification and enforcement. S. 1395, Stop Unfair Practices in Credit Cards Act Bill would prohibit or reform various credit-card practices. NSBA supported. S. 1617, Fuel Reduction using Electrons to End Dependence On the Mid-East (FREEDOM) Act Bill would provide incentives for the purchase of plug in electric drive motor vehicles. NSBA supported. S. 1657 | Small Business Energy Efficiency Act of 2007 Bill would establish a small business energy efficiency program. NSBA supported. S. 1681 | Family Medical Leave Insurance Act Legislation to create a fund that would provide up to eight weeks of paid family leave.

Mandates employees and employers to fund the plan through payroll taxes. NSBA opposed S. 1932 Bill would increase the expenditures for the Small Business Innovation Research and Small Business Technology Transfer programs. NSBA supported. S. 2239 | Equity for Our Nation's Self-Employed Act of 2007 Would allow self-employed individuals to fully-deduct the cost of their health insurance, thus eliminating the self-employed tax on health care. NSBA supports S. 2291, Plain Language in Government Communications Act of 2007 Bill would establish plain language as the standard style for Government documents issued to the public, and for other purposes. NSBA S. 55 - Individual Álternative Minimum Ťax Repeal Act of 2007 The measure repeals the alternative minimum tax on individuals. NSBA supported. S. 102 IA bill to extend and expand relief from the alternative minimum tax and to repeal the extension of the lower rates for capital gains and dividends for 2009 and 2010. The legislation increases the exemption from the alternative minimum tax for individual taxpayers in 2007 and extends through 2007 the allowance of certain nonrefundable tax credits against alternative minimum tax liability. NSBA supported. S. 334 | The Healthy Americans Act Broad health care reform that includes an individual mandate, creation of state Health Help Agencies, subsidies for low-income individuals and changes tax-treatment of health care and health insurance expenditures. NSBA supported sections of the bill S.558 | Mental Health Parity Act of 2007 Legislation would require insurance companies to offer the same level of financial coverage for mental health care as they do for other medical care. NSBA opposed S. 663 | Equity for Our Nation's Self-Employed Act of 2005 in the 109th Congress It amends the Internal Revenue Code to allow self-employed individuals to deduct health insurance costs in computing the tax on self-employment income. NSBA supports. S. 777 | Withholding Tax Relief Act of 2007 A bill to repeal a provision designed to increase federal tax revenue by \$7 billion over ten years. Repeal the new mandatory 3 percent withholding requirement on all payments for goods and services made to federal, state and local contractors. NSBA supports. H.R. 1677 | Taxpayer Protection Act of 2007 Bill gives IRS the right to deny information to tax preparers and lenders who might be contemplating predatory refund anticipation loans (RALs). It also includes provisions on the earned income tax credit and individual retirement accounts. NSBA supported. H.R. 1873 | Small Businesse Fairness in Contracting Act of 2007 Bill would improve federal procurement opportunities for small businesses. NSBA supported. H.R. 2380 - Death Tax Repeal Permanency Act of 2007 To make permanent the repeal of the estate tax after 2010. NSBA supported. H.R. 2389 | Small Energy Efficient Businesses Act (SEEBA) SEEBA would help small businesses develop, invest in, and purchase energy efficient buildings, fixtures, equipment, and technology. NSBA supported. H.R. 2727 | Small Business SOX Compliance Extension Act It would extend the current exemption by at least one year for small businesses to comply with the Sarbanes-Oxley internal controls reporting requirements. NSBA supported. H.R. 3163 | The Healthy Americans Act Broad health care reform that includes an individual mandate, creation of state Health Help Agencies, subsidies for low-income individuals and changes tax-treatment of health care and health insurance expenditures. NSBA supported sections of the bill. H.R. 3170 [Capital Gains and Estate Tax Relief Act of 2007 The bill permanently reduces the capital gains tax to 15 percent and the estate tax exemption will be \$3.5 million in 2009 and will increase \$250,000 per year until it reaches \$5 million 2015 NSBA supported. H.R. 3548, Plain Language in Government Communications Act of 2007 Bill would establish plain language as the standard style for Government documents issued to the public, and for other purposes. NSBA supported. H.R. 3567, the Small Business Investment Expansion Act of 2007 Bill would expand the ability of venture capital-owned businesses to participate in small-business programs, NSBA opposed. H.R. 3660 - Equity for Our Nation's Self-Employed Act of 2007 Would allow self-employed individuals to fully-deduct the cost of their health insurance, thus eliminating the self-employed tax on health care. NSBA supports. H.R. 3678 - Internet Tax Freedom Act Amendment Acts of 2007 Legislation to extend the internet tax moratorium. NSBA supported H.R. 3996 - Temporary Tax Relief Act of 2007 A bill to eliminate the Alternative Minimum Tax. NSBA supported H.R. 4008, Credit and Debit Card Receipt Clarification Act of 2007 Bill provides technical corrections to the definition of willful noncompliance in regard to unintentional violations of the Fair Credit Reporting Act. NSBA supported. H.R. 4458, the Small Business Regulatory Improvement Act Bill seeks to improve the Regulatory Flexibility Act and reduce the regulatory burden borne by America's small businesses. NSBA supported. H.R. 800 | The Employee Free Choice Act Bill would eliminate workplace union petition and elections process by allowing employees to sign off on a check card to indicate their support of unionization. NSBA opposed. H.R. 976 - Small Business Tax Relief Act of 2007. Legislation extends critical tax provisions for small business owners and paves the way for the House and Senate to come to agreement on legislation to raise the Federal minimum wage from \$5.15 per hour to \$7.25 per hour. NSBA supported tax provisions. H.B. 1023 | Withholding Tax Relief Act of 2007 A bill to repeal a provision designed to increase federal tax revenue by \$7 billion over ten years. Repeal the new mandatory 3 percent withholding requirement on all payments for goods and services made to federal, state and local contractors. NSBA supports. H.R. 1112 - Stealth Tax Relief Extension Act of 2007 The legislation increases the exemption from the

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alternative minimum tax for individual taxpayers in 2007 and extends through 2007 the allowance of certain nonrefundable tax credits against alternative minimum tax liability. NSBA supported. H.R. 1332 | Small Business Lending Improvements Act of 2007 Bill would improve the access to capital programs of the SBA. NSBA supported. H.R. 1424 | Paul Wellstone Mental Health and Addiction Equity Act of 2007 Would require health plans that offer mental health benefits to cover the same mental health and addiction disorders that are included in the Federal Employee Health Benefits Program (FEHBP).NSBA opposed H.R. 1506 | Fuel Economy Reform Act Measure would increase fuel economy standards for automobiles. NSBA supported. H.R. 1542 | Healthy Families Act Bill to expand the Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) to require that employers with 15 or more employees provide up to 7 paid sick-leave days to their employees. NSBA opposed H.R. 1591 - Fair Minimum Wage Act of 2007/Small Business and Work Opportunity Act of 2007 Measure increased the minimum wage and contained tax cuts for small businesses including an extension of Section 179, and extension of the work opportunity tax credit. NSBA opposed final passage. H.R. 1645 - Security Through Regularized Immigration and a Vibrant Economy Act of 2007 Broad reform language to overhaul the current immigration system in the U.S. NSBA supported House version of Title III concerning employer verification and enforcement. H.R. 25 | Fair Tax Act of 2007 Legislation to abolish the Internal Revenue Service and enacting a national sales tax. NSBA supported.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted: Centers For Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Energy, Dept of Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Health & Human Services, Dept of (HHS) Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Labor, Dept of (DOL) SENATE Small Business Administration (SBA) Treasury, Dept of

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area:

Name: BROGAN, MOLLY
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: KEMPF, KYLE
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: MCCRACKEN, TODD
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: MILANESE, J

19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above. None

Signature: ON FILE Date: Feb 12, 2008

Printed Name and Title: TODD MCCRACKEN, NSBA PRESIDENT -

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Information Update Page:

Complete ONLY where registration information has changed.

LOBBYIST UPDATE

23. Name of each previously reported individual who is NO LONGER expected to act as a lobbyist for the client

ISSUE UPDATE

24. General lobbying issues previously reported that NO LONGER pertain

AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS

25. Add the following organization(s)

26. Name of each previously reported organization that is NO LONGER affiliated with the registrant or client

FOREIGN ENTITIES

27. Add the following foreign entities

28. Name of each previously reported foreign entity the NO LONGER owns, OR controls, OR is affiliated with the registrant, client or affiliated organization

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Printed Name and Title: -