

LOBBYING REPORT

Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (Section 5) - **All Filers Are Required To Complete This Page**

1. Registrant Name:

ALPINE GROUP, INC

2. Address:

660 Pennsylvania Ave, SE Suite 201, Washington, DC 20003

3. Principal place of business (if different from line 2):

4. Contact Name: ALICIA FITZPATRICK

Telephone: 202-548-2316

E-mail (optional): AFITZPATRICK@ALPINEGROUP.COM

Senate ID #: 1171-1154

House ID #: 31749079

7. Client Name: Self

DISTILLED SPIRITS COUNCIL OF THE UNITED STATES

TYPE OF REPORT

8. Year 2005 Midyear (January 1 - June 30): **OR** Year End (July 1 - December 31):

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): 80,000.00

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: => Expenses (nearest \$20,000): _____

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 6033(b)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code
 Method C. Reporting amounts under section 162(e) of the Internal Revenue Code

Registrant Name: ALPINE GROUP, INC Client Name: DISTILLED SPIRITS COUNCIL OF THE UNITED STATES

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: TAX (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

H.R.1791, To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reduce the rate of tax on distilled spirits to its pre-1985 level. H.R. 3, Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users - provisions dealing with a tax credit for wholesalers and suppliers in bailment states, and a permanent repeal of the special occupational tax. H.R. 440, Gulf Opportunity Zone Act of 2005 - provisions dealing with tax relief for liquor retailers. Tax and Trade Bureau Rule on changes to labeling beverages and alcohol

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SENATE

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

Name: DAVIS, ANSLEY

Covered Official Position (if applicable): LEGISLATIVE ASSISTANT, REP. NATHAN DEAL (R-GA)

Name: HAWKINS, JAY

Covered Official Position (if applicable):

Name: HENRY, MICHAEL

Covered Official Position (if applicable): PROF. STAFF; HOUSE TRANS. & INFRASTRUCTURE CMTE

Name: MASSIE, JAMES D.

Covered Official Position (if applicable):

Name: SHAW, RHOD

Covered Official Position (if applicable):

Name: WAGUESPACK, STEPHEN

Covered Official Position (if applicable):

Name: WHITE, RICHARD C.

Covered Official Position (if applicable):

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

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15. General issue area code: TRA (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

H.R.3, Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users Surface Transportation Safety Reauthorization Act of 2005 - provisions dealing with safety, impaired driving, and incentive grants.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SENATE

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

Name: HENRY, MICHAEL

Covered Official Position (if applicable): PROF. STAFF; HOUSE TRANS. & INFRASTRUCTURE CMTE

Name: WHITE, RICHARD C.

Covered Official Position (if applicable):

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

Signature: ON FILE Date: Feb 07, 2006

Printed Name and Title: Alicia Fitzpatrick, Associate -