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LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant Name: **NICKLES GROUP** 607 14TH ST NW # 530, WASHINGTON, DC 20005 3. Principal place of business (if different from line 2): 4. Contact Name: PAMELA FLEMING Telephone: 202-637-0214 E-mail (optional): mail@nicklesgroup.com Senate ID #: 293335-12 House ID #: 7. Client Name: Self AMERICAN SOCIETY OF ANESTHESIOLOGISTS TYPE OF REPORT 8. Year 2005 Midyear (January 1 - June 30): X 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: X => Income (nearest \$20,000): 90,000.00 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

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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

- 15. General issue area code: BUD (one per page)
- 16. Specific lobbying issues:
- H. Con. Res. 95, the budget resolution, reconciliation instructions
- 17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted: SENATE
- 18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area:

Name: HUGHES, STACEY

Covered Official Position (if applicable): US SENATE BUDGET COMM, DPTY STAFF DIRECTOR

Name: MARSHALL, HAZEN

Covered Official Position (if applicable): US SENATE, SENATE BUDGET COMM, STAFF DIRECTOR

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: HCR (one per page)
- 16. Specific lobbying issues:
- S. 518/H.R. 1132, National All Schedules Prescription Electronic Reporting Act of 2005, drug monitoring issues S. 1356, Medicare Value Purchasing Act of 2005, pay for performance issues H. Con. Res. 95, the budget resolution, reconciliation instructions
- 17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted: SENATE
- 18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area:

Name: HUGHES, STACEY

Covered Official Position (if applicable): US SENATE BUDGET COMM, DPTY STAFF DIRECTOR

Name: MARSHALL, HAZEN

Covered Official Position (if applicable): US SENATE, SENATE BUDGET COMM, STAFF DIRECTOR

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: MMM (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Physician pay schedule S. 1356, Medicare Value Purchasing Act of 2005, pay for performance issues

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

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

Name: HUGHES, STACEY

Covered Official Position (if applicable): US SENATE BUDGET COMM, DPTY STAFF DIRECTOR Name: MARSHALL, HAZEN

Covered Official Position (if applicable): US SENATE, SENATE BUDGET COMM, STAFF DIRECTOR

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

Signature: ON FILE Date: Aug 12, 2005

Printed Name and Title: PAMELA FLEMING - ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR

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

Name: MERIFIELD TRIPODI, CYNTHIA

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

Signature: ON FILE Date: Aug 12, 2005

Printed Name and Title: PAMELA FLEMING - Administrative Director