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LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant Name <u>American Home Furnishings Alliance</u>			
2. Address <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported <u>1250 Connecticut Ave, NW Suite 200 Wash, DC 20</u>			
3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2) City: _____ State/Zip (or Country) _____			
4. Contact Name	Telephone	E-mail (optional)	5. Senate ID #
<u>Mr. Russell B. Batson</u>	<u>(817) 278-2118</u>	<u>ext 103</u>	<u>243-0</u>
7. Client Name <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Self			6. House ID #
<u>American Home Furnishings Alliance</u>			<u>31658</u>

TYPE OF REPORT 8. Year 2006 Midyear (January 1-June 30) OR Year End (July 1-Dece

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

INCOME OR EXPENSES - Complete Either Line 12 OR Line 13

<p align="center">12. Lobbying Firms</p> <p>INCOME relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was:</p> <p>Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>\$10,000 or more <input type="checkbox"/> ⇒ \$ _____ Income (nearest \$20,000)</p> <p>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).</p>	<p align="center">13. Organizations</p> <p>EXPENSES relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were:</p> <p>Less than \$10,000 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>\$10,000 or more <input type="checkbox"/> ⇒ \$ _____ Expenses (nearest \$20,000)</p> <p>14. REPORTING METHOD. Check box to indicate accounting method. See instructions for description of</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Method A. Reporting amounts using LDA definiti</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method B. Reporting amounts under section 6033 Internal Revenue Code</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method C. Reporting amounts under section 162(Internal Revenue Code</p>
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Signature 

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Printed Name and Title Russell B. Betson, VP, Government Aff

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Registrant Name _____ Client Name _____

LOBBYING ACTIVITY. Select as many codes as necessary to reflect the general issue areas in which the registrant is 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 _____ (one per page)

CSP / Consumer Issues / Safety / Protection

16. Specific lobbying issues

Upholstered furniture flammability, a rulemaking pending before the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, over which the House and Senate exercise oversight.

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

Check if None

House
Senate

U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission

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

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)
Russell B. Betson	

19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above

Check if None

Signature

Russell B. Betson

Date

Feb 13, 21

Printed Name and Title

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Printed Name and Title V.P., Government Agency

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Registrant Name _____ Client Name _____

Information Update Page - Complete ONLY where registration information has changed.

20. Client new address

21. Client new principal place of business (if different from line 20)

City

State/Zip (or Country)

22. New general description of client's business or activities

LOBBYIST UPDATE

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

Christopher P. Pearce

ISSUE UPDATE

24. General lobbying issues previously reported that no longer pertain

AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS

25. Add the following affiliated organization(s)

Name	Address	Principal Place of Business (city and state or country)

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

Name	Address	Principal place of business (city and state or country)	Amount of contribution for lobbying activities	C p cl

28. Name of each previously reported foreign entity that no longer owns, or controls, or is affiliated with the registrant affiliated organization

Signature

[Handwritten Signature]

Date

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Printed Name and Title V.P., Government Affairs

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1250 Connecticut Ave., NW Suite 200 Washington, DC 20036

Secretary of the Senate
United States Senate
232 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510-7116

Dear Sir or Madam:

Attached, please find a printed and signed report of my lobbying activity.

I am unable to operate the word processing software attached to your site. I am also unable to obtain an "ACES digital signature," due to the insistence by the corporate provider that I submit a "certified" copy of a valid drivers' license.

The Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles maintains that they issue only one type of license for operation of a passenger vehicle. Given that this is accepted as identification and driver qualification by law enforcement authorities throughout the country, they are perplexed (and I tend to agree) why it is not deemed sufficient by a software company.

I notice from your website that there is now another provider of the ACES signature. I will work with them to obtain one, if possible, prior to the next filing deadline.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Russell B. Batson', written in a cursive style.

Russell B. Batson
V.P, Government Affairs
(877) 278-2118, ext, 103



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