

LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant Name:

RETAIL INDUSTRY LEADERS ASSN

2. Address:

1700 N. Moore Street Suite 2250, Arlington, VA 22209

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

4. Contact Name: KATHERINE LUGAR

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Senate ID #: 20004-12

House ID #: 319960000

7. Client Name: Self

TYPE OF REPORT

8. Year 2006 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): _____

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): 340,000.00

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

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Increase awareness of issues related to Credit card interchange fees.

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: KELLY, PAUL

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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: CSP (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

H.R. 2048, Motor Vehicle Owner's Rights to Repair Act, Support passage of the bill Data Security Legislation

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: DENHAM, LORI
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: KELLY, PAUL
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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:

H.R. 37, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a deduction for premiums for high deductible health plans required with respect to health savings account, support passage of the bill. H.R. 4511, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow the use of flexible spending and health reimbursement arrangements in combination with health savings accounts, and for other purposes. H.R. 1872 & S. 978, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for the purchase of qualified health insurance, and for other purposes. Other legislation to expand access to health care coverage and reduce health care costs for employers and employees. H.R. 1998, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the disposition of unused benefits in health flexible spending arrangements. S. 309, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the disposition of unused health benefits in cafeteria plans and flexible spending arrangements. Preservation and strengthening of laws that support the provision of employer sponsored health care (Employee Retirement Income Security Act, etc.) Legislation to improve availability and interoperability of health care information technology.

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: KELLY, PAUL

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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: HOM (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

H.R. 1817, Department of Homeland Security Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2006, Support the bill; Opposed language on C-TPAT; S. 1052, Transportation Security Improvement Act of 2005, we oppose the bill in its current format; S.2008, GreenLane Maritime Cargo Security Act of 2005, we oppose the bill in its current format. Port and Cargo security legislation, including both including both authorizing and appropriations bills.

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

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Homeland Security, Dept of (DHS)
SENATE
U.S. Coast Guard (USCG)
U.S. Customs & Border Protection
White House Office

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

Name: GOLD, JONATHAN E.
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: KELLY, PAUL
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: THOMPSON, ALLEN
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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: LAW (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Legislation to combat Organized Retail Crime (authorizing an appropriations) Department of Justice Reauthorization Legislation.

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: CAMPAGNA, SHANNON

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: KELLY, PAUL

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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: LBR (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

H.R 874, Secret Ballot Protection Act of 2005, to amend the National Labor Relations Act to ensure the rights of employees to a secret ballot election conducted by the National Labor Relations Board. S. 1173, Secret Ballot Protection Act of 2005 (introduced in the Senate), to amend the National Labor Relations Act to ensure the right of employees to a secret-ballot election conducted by the National Labor Board

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

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Labor, Dept of (DOL)
SENATE

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

Name: KELLY, PAUL

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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: SCI (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

H.R. 425, National Computer Recycling Act, Oppose passage of the bill. S. 510, Electronic Waste Recycling Promotion and Consumer Protection Act, Support Passage of the bill. Data Privacy, Educate members on the impact to retailers of proposed data security and data breach legislative proposals. Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) and Electronic Product Code - educate members on the impact on retailers of proposed RFID legislative proposals. H.R. 431, Electronic Waste Recycling Promotion and Consumer Protection Act - to reduce and eliminate electronic waste through recycling.

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

Commerce, Dept of (DOC)
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SENATE

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

Name: DENHAM, LORI
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: KELLY, PAUL
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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: TAX (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

H.R. 1062, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a shorter recovery period for the depreciation of certain improvements to retail space-support passage of the bill. H.R. 25, Fair Tax Act of 2005, oppose passage of the bill. H.R 1272, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the work opportunity credit and the welfare to work credit, support passage of the bill. S. 25, Fair Tax Act of 2005, oppose passage of the bill. S.595, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the work opportunity tax credit and the welfare to work credit, support passage of the bill. Lobbied in support of Streamlined Sales Tax. Lobbied against the introduction of a Value Added Tax (VAT) or a National Sales Tax H.R 4297, Tax Reconciliation. Legislation to extend and consolidate the welfare to work and work opportunity tax credit programs. Oppose repeal of last in/first out method of accounting. Support legislation to permanently accelerate the depreciation of retail space improvements.

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

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Internal Revenue Service (IRS)
SENATE
Treasury, Dept of

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

Name: CAMPAGNA, SHANNON
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: DENHAM, LORI
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: KELLY, PAUL
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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 785, Cargo Theft Prevention Act, Support passage of the bill.

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: CAMPAGNA, SHANNON

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: GOLD, JONATHAN E.

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: KELLY, PAUL

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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: TRD (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

H.R. 1121, to repeal section 754 of the Tariff Act of 1930, we support passage of the bill. S. 14, Fair Wage, Competition and Investment Act of 2005, we oppose the bill. S. 295, a bill to authorize appropriate action if the negotiations with the People's Republic of China regarding China's undervalued currency are not successful, we oppose the bill. H.R. 4241, Deficit Reduction Act of 2005, We support the repeal of Continued Dumping and Subsidy Offset Act of 2008 included in the bill. Legislation to extend permanent trade relations with Vietnam. Legislation to approve the Oman and Peru free trade agreements.

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

Commerce, Dept of (DOC)
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SENATE
U.S. Trade Representative (USTR)

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

Name: CAMPAGNA, SHANNON
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: DENHAM, LORI
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: GOLD, JONATHAN E.
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: KELLY, PAUL
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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

Signature: ON FILE Date: Nov 06, 2008

Printed Name and Title: KATHERINE G. LUGAR -

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: GOLD, JONATHAN E.

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: Nov 06, 2008

Printed Name and Title: -