

LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant Name:

AMERICAN OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSN

2. Address:

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

4. Contact Name: DARLENE C DENNIS

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Senate ID #: 2970-12

House ID #:

7. Client Name: ☒ Self

TYPE OF REPORT

8. Year 2007 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): 280,000.00

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: BUD (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

s. 1710, Department of Labor, Health and Human Services and Education and Related Agencies Appropriations Act - provisions related to inclusion of funding specific to occupational therapy and education. H.R. 3043, Dept of Labor, Health and Human Services and Education and Related Agencies Appropriations Act - provisions related to inclusion of funding specific to occupational therapy and education.

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: JONES, DANIEL

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: METZLER, CHRISTINA A.

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: NANO, TIM

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: EDU (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

S. 578 and H.R. 1017, Protecting Children's Health in Schools Act - Provisions related to maintaining Medicaid funding for school based administrative claiming and transportation services. H.R. 1134, Physical Therapist Student Loan Repayment Eligibility Act of 2007, advocated for inclusion of occupational therapy. No bill number - No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Reauthorization - advocated for an expanded role for occupational therapy with general education students and for providing testing accommodations for students with disabilities. Issues addressed included early intervening funds, RTI and PBS inclusion. Office of Special Education Programs, Director Alexa Posney - Advocated about the role of occupational therapy under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and No Child Left Behind (NCLB). S. 1628, Nurse Faculty and Physical Therapist Education Act of 2007 - Advocated for inclusion of occupational therapy loan repayment. No bill number - Medicaid School-based Transportation and Administrative Claiming Costs - Before Congress, opposed elimination of reimbursement - advocating for a moratorium.

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

Education, Dept of
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SENATE

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

Name: JONES, DANIEL

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: METZLER, CHRISTINA A.

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: NANO, TIM

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:

HR 1424 and HR 1367, The Paul Wellstone Mental Health and Addiction Equity Act of 2007 - Supported improved coverage and advocated for an expanded role for occupational therapy. S. 558, Mental Health Parity Act of 2007 - Supported improved coverage and advocated for an expanded role for occupational therapy. S. 845, Safety of Seniors Act of 2007 - Supported passage and highlighted role of occupational therapy in preventing senior falls. HR 2260, Health Care Truth and Transparency Act of 2007 - Opposed legislation as it is an undue burden on non-physician health care providers and does not improve quality or patient safety. S. 358 and HR 493, Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2007 - Support passage to help prevent discrimination in regard to insurance for health care coverage. HR 2994, National Pain Care Policy Act of 2007 - Advocated for passage and role of occupational therapy. S. 626 and HR 1283, Arthritis Prevention, Control, and Cure Act of 2007 - Advocated for passage and role of occupational therapy. S. 999 and H.R. 477 - Stroke Treatment and Ongoing Prevention Act of 2007 - Advocated for passage and role of occupational therapy. No bill number: Advocated for and educated about the role of occupational therapy in mental health. No bill number: Advocated for and educated about the role of occupational therapy in Veteran's health care. Centers for Disease Control, Director of Center for Injury Prevention and Control, Ileana Arias - Advocated for working together on their initiative to prevent falls among seniors.

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: JONES, DANIEL

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: METZLER, CHRISTINA A.

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: NANO, TIM

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: INS (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

HR 1424 and HR 1367, The Paul Wellstone Mental Health and Addiction Equity Act of 2007 - Supported improved coverage and advocated for an expanded role for occupational therapy. S. 558, Mental Health Parity Act of 2007 - Supported improved coverage and advocated for an expanded role for occupational therapy. HR 2260, Health Care Truth and Transparency Act of 2007 - Opposed legislation as it is an undue burden on non-physician health care providers and does not improve quality or patient safety. S. 358 and HR 493, Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2007 - Supported passage to help prevent discrimination in regard to insurance for health care coverage.

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: JONES, DANIEL
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: METZLER, CHRISTINA A.
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: NANOFF, TIM
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:

No activity this period

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted: **None**

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

Name: JONES, DANIEL

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: METZLER, CHRISTINA A.

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: NANO, TIM

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: MED (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

S. 845 Safety of Seniors Act of 2007 - Supported passage and highlighted the role of occupational therapy in preventing senior falls. S. 999 and HR 477 - Stroke Treatment and Ongoing Prevention Act of 2007 - advocated for passage and role of occupational therapy. S. 626 and HR 1283, Arthritis Prevention, Control, and Cure Act of 2007 - Advocated for passage and role of occupational therapy. HR 2994, National Pain Care Policy Act of 2007 - Advocated for passage and role of occupational therapy.

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: JONES, DANIEL

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: METZLER, CHRISTINA A.

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: NANO, TIM

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: MMM (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

S. 450 and HR 748, The Medicare Access to Rehabilitation Services Act of 2007 - All provisions, passage. HR 1846, The Access to Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Services Improvement Act of 2007 - Opposed based on quality, cost accountability, and scope of practice concerns. S. 1224, Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) Reauthorization Act of 2007 - Advocated in support of the CHIP program and an expanded role for occupational therapy. H.R. 3162, Children's Health and Medicare Protections Act of 2007 (CHAMP) - Advocated for Medicare provision regarding therapy caps, 75% rule on inpatient rehabilitation facilities, SGR cuts and Medicaid provisions. S. 799 and H.R. 1621, The Community Choice Act - Supported all provisions. S. 578 and H.R. 1017, Protecting Children's Health in Schools Act - supported passage and maintaining Medicaid funding for school based administrative claiming and transportation services. S. 543 and H.R. 1459, Preserving Patient Access to Inpatient Rehabilitation Hospitals Act of 2007 - Supported this legislation as it protects access to occupational therapy in inpatient rehabilitation facilities. H.R. 1809, Medicare Independent Living Act - Supported the provision of improved access to mobility devices for people with disabilities. S. 2499, Medicare, Medicaid and SCHIP Extension Act of 2007 - Advocated for passage of alternative to Medicare cap on PartB outpatient rehabilitation services; physician fee schedule, 75 rule for inpatient rehabilitation facilities, and Medicaid regulatory moratorium. H.R. 4082, Long-term Care Quality and Modernization Act of 2007 - Advocated for inclusion of occupational therapy in quality reporting. S. 932 and H.R. 1552, Medicare Patient Access to Physical Therapist Act of 2007 - Advocated regarding impact on occupational therapy. H.R. 1663, Medicare Mental Health Modernization Act of 2007 - Advocated for passage and improved role for occupational therapy. S. 1628, Nurse Faculty and Physical Therapist Education Act of 2007 - Advocated for inclusion of occupational therapy loan repayment. No bill number - Medicaid School-based Transportation and Administrative Claiming Costs - Before Congress, opposed elimination of reimbursement - advocated for a moratorium. No bill number - Medicaid Rehabilitation Services Proposed Rule - Before Congress advocated for moratorium; opposed proposal to restrict the reimbursement of services under the rehabilitation option. No bill number: Advocated for the promotion of occupational therapy in home health under Medicare. No bill number: Advocated for payment fixes to the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule. No bill number: Advocated and educated about the role of occupational therapy in mental health practice.

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: JONES, DANIEL

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: METZLER, CHRISTINA A.

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: NANO, TIM

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: WEL (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

No activity this period

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted: **None**

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

Name: JONES, DANIEL

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: METZLER, CHRISTINA A.

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: NANO, TIM

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: Apr 17, 2008

Printed Name and Title: DARLENE C. DENNIS, POLITICAL A -

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: PONTZER, KATHRYN M.

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: Apr 17, 2008

Printed Name and Title: -