

## LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant Name:

**AMERICAN SOCIETY OF ANESTHESIOLOGISTS**

2. Address:

1101 VERMONT AVE NW #606, WASHINGTON, DC 20005

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

4. Contact Name: RONALD SZABAT

Telephone: 2022892222

E-mail (optional): r.szabat@asawash.org

Senate ID #: 3388-12

House ID #:

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): 620,000.00

#### 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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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: HCR (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

S. 366, "Healthy Mothers and Healthy Babies Access to Care Act of 2005" H.R. 1020, "National Pain Care Policy Act of 2005" S. 1418, "Wired for Health Care Quality Act" S. 1355, "Better Healthcare Through Information Technology Act" S. 1262, "Health TEQ Act of 2005" Dispensing of Controlled substances for legitimate medical treatment of pain. FDA warning label for Propofol. H.R. 5688, "Healthcare Truth and Transparency Act of 2006" H.R. 5, "Help, Efficient, Accessible, Low-cost, Timely Health Care Act" S. 23, "Healthy Mothers and Healthy Babies Access to Care Act" S. 22, "Medical Care Access Protection Act"

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

Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA)  
Food & Drug Administration (FDA)  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
Justice, Dept of (DOJ)  
SENATE

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

Name: BIERSTEIN, KARIN  
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A  
Name: BONILLA, MANUEL E.  
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A  
Name: KUFFNER, MARY  
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A  
Name: MERRICK, SHARON  
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A  
Name: PAF, SARAH  
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A  
Name: PERCY, LISA  
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A  
Name: SZABAT, RONALD  
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:

H.R. 2356, "Preserving Patient Access to Physicians Act of 2005" H.R. 3617, "Medicare Value-Based Purchasing for Physicians' Services Act of 2005" H.R. 4241, "Deficit Reduction Act of 2005" H.R. 5955, "Medicare Access to Rural Anesthesiology Act of 2006" H.R. 5866, "Medicare Physician Payment Reform and Quality Improvement Act of 2006" H.R. 6408, "Tax Relief and Health Care Act of 2006" H.R. 6111, "Tax Relief and Health Care Act of 2006" H.R. 6184, "Medicare Academic Anesthesiology and CRNA Payment Improvement Act of 2006" H.R. 5916, "Patients' Access to Physicians Act of 2006" S. 1081, "Preserving Patient Access to Physicians Act of 2005" S. 1356, "Medicare Value Purchasing Act of 2005" S. 1932, "Deficit Reduction Omnibus Reconciliation Act of 2005" Medicare Fee Schedule; SGR; Practice Expense Methodologies-pain issues; physician work and practice expense values; teaching rule. Five Year Review of physician work values for anesthesiology services under CPT codes 00100-01999. Medicare and Medicaid hospital Conditions of Participation-Interpretive Guidelines relating to unsupervised practice by nurse anesthetists; informed consent. Medication security and post-anesthesia evaluations. Medicare anesthesia conversion factor. Value-Based Purchasing/ Pay for Performance/ Performance Measurement/ Physician Voluntary Reporting Program/ QIOs. Health Information Technology. Model Guidelines for Medicare Part D formulary. Medicare Program; Proposed Changes to the Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems and Fiscal Year 2007 Rates. Transition to ICD-10 coding. Policy on Consultants by physicians. Ambulatory Surgical Centers; Covered Procedures and Payment Rates. S. 2990/H.R. 5246, "Medicare Teaching Anesthesiology Funding Restoration Act of 2006" H.R. 5348, "Medicare Anesthesiology Teaching Fund Restoration Act of 2006"

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Centers For Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)  
Executive Office of the President (EOP)  
Government Accountability Office (GAO)  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
Health & Human Services, Dept of (HHS)  
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Signature: ON FILE Date: Feb 01, 2007

Printed Name and Title: RONALD SZABAT, DIRECTOR OF GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS AN -