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TEXAS HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION

August 2, 2004

Secretary of the U.S. Senate  
Office of Public Records  
232 Hart Building  
Washington, DC 20510

RE: Mid-Year 2004 Federal Lobby Report

Dear Secretary:

Enclosed please find an original and two copies of the Texas Hospital Association's mid-year 2004 federal lobbying report for filing, as required by the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995. The original and one copy are provided for your files.

Please date stamp the remaining copy of the report and return it to me in the self-addressed stamped envelope enclosed for your convenience.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



Debbie Suniga  
Manager  
Advocacy and Education

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Enclosures

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04 AUG -5 PM**LOBBYING REPORT**

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

1. Registrant Name Texas Hospital Association			
2. Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported P. O. Box 15587, Austin, Tx 78761-5587			
3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2) street address: 6225 US Hwy 290 East Austin, TX 78761-5587 City: State/zip (or Country)			
4. Contact Name Debbie Suniga	Telephone (512) 465-1510	E-mail (optional) dsuniga@tha.org	5. Senate ID # 70973-12
7. Client Name <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Self Texas Hospital Association			6. House ID # 35880000

**TYPE OF REPORT** 8. Year 2004 Midyear (January 1-June 30)  OR Year End (July 1-Dec
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

12. Lobbying Firms	13. Organizations
<b>INCOME</b> relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was:	<b>EXPENSES</b> relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were:
Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/>	Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/>
\$10,000 or more <input type="checkbox"/> ⇨ \$ _____ Income (nearest \$20,000)	\$10,000 or more <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ⇨ \$ <u>189,000.00</u> Expenses (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).	<b>14. REPORTING METHOD.</b> Check box to indicate accounting method. See instructions for description of
	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Method A.</b> Reporting amounts using LDA definition
	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Method B.</b> Reporting amounts under section 6033 Internal Revenue Code
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Method C.</b> Reporting amounts under section 162(e) Internal Revenue Code

Debbie Suniga

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date 06/01/04

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**LOBBYING ACTIVITY.** Select as many codes as necessary to reflect the general issue areas in which t engaged in lobbying on behalf of the client during the reporting period. Using a separate page for each c information as requested. Attach additional page(s) as needed.

15. General issue area code CSP (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Supported the Patient Safety and Quality Improvement Act, H.R. 663 and S.720.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted  Check if None

U.S. House and Senate

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

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)
Gregg W. Knaupe, J.D.	N/A
Joe A. DaSilva	N/A

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

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15. General issue area code DIS (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Supported additional funding for hospitals for Disaster Preparedness in General Appropriations legislation with bill numbers not yet assigned.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted  Check if None

U.S. House and Senate

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15. General issue area code EDU (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Supported additional funding for hospitals for nursing schools in General Appropriations bills with bill numbers not yet determined.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted  Check if None

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15. General issue area code HCR (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Supported the Medicare Prescription Drug Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003 (Public Law 108-173)

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted  Check if None

U.S. House and Senate

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15. General issue area code IMM (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Supported the Medicare Prescription Drug Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003 (Public Law 108-173)

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15. General issue area code MED (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Supported the Medicare Prescription Drug Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003 (Public Law 108-173)

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted  Check if None

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15. General issue area code MMM (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Supported the Medicare Prescription Drug Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003 (Public Law 108-173)

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15. General issue area code TOR (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Supported medical liability reform efforts, including the Medical Liability Insurance Crisis Response Act of 2003, H.R. 1158.

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