

point of view. We do not require—we propose we not require the registration of any elected or appointed official of this State appearing in his ordinary course of duties. Similarly any elected or appointed official of this State, when advocating his own views, would not be required to register. Let us give an example.

If, say, the County Attorney of my county, Montgomery County, came down to present Montgomery County's views, I do not think he should be required to register. On the other hand, if the county association or the association of counties chose him as their spokesman to present their views on a particular subject before the Convention, then he too would at least have to register and indicate the fact that he spoke for others apart from himself.

Now in section 2 [Appendix A] we deal with the time of registration, and I will not go over the details of it. Within ten days after a person has been engaged to lobby, or to advocate, he should register. There will be times, however, that a person will have already contacted a delegate or done some work and without having registered, in which case he must do so within three days.

In section 3 [Appendix A], we set forth the information that would be required on the registration form. Hopefully these forms would be available not only in the secretary's office, but in the possession of each committee chairman. When a witness came to testify before a committee, if he were within one of the categories embraced in the regulation, he would fill out the form. We have also provided that the information required under the proposed regulation could be supplied by mail.

On the question of failure to comply, as I indicated in the beginning, we really do not have any club, or deterrent. All we could do is bar a person from further appearances before the Convention, if he neglected to abide by the regulation. This would be done after notice and opportunity for hearing before the Rules Committee. The Rules Committee would recommend to the Convention. The Convention would decide whether or not such a person should be penalized by being denied the privilege from appearing at further sessions of the Committee or the Convention, either to the end of the Convention or for a limited time.

I might add this point that seems relevant here. Delegate Morgan, who did appear before our Committee, recommended that we exempt from the applicability of the regu-

lation those witnesses who were invited by a committee to appear.

The Committee considered this at some length. There seems to be a dash of fairness in support of that proposal. On the other hand, it seems to us if we granted this exemption, in view of the promiscuity with which invitations have been extended to putative witnesses, we would be making a toothless regulation. Let us not extract the gums. It seems to us if we yielded on that point we would really have nothing, because it would be a very simple matter to get an invitation and no one would have to register unless he did not know anybody at the Convention and would not be favored with an invitation.

We require reports, as set forth in section 5, periodically. I will not go over the details. They do not seem burdensome. If a man comes down once and is reimbursed for his expenditures and represents the views of others all he would have to do is report that once. There is another slightly troublesome problem that I believe Delegate Burdette, who appeared before our committee, raised. We are requiring, after the Convention has gone, that the final report be filed with the Secretary of State. We would be delighted to require that it be filed with the Secretary of the Convention, but I assume that once the Convention adjourns, he shall go home with the rest of us and therefore will no longer have any official status. The Secretary of State, however, will. If you read the Enabling Act, I think the provisions make it reasonably clear, if not explicitly, that the various officers of this State shall cooperate with the Convention. I would assume that the Secretary of State would cooperate to the extent of receiving those reports. They have no putative impact. If they are perjurious or inaccurate, what have you, in the end as in the beginning, the only club or inducement to a full and fair report would be publicity, identification and disclosure reinforced by the intrepid representatives of this State.

Another section that prohibits contingent compensation is section 7 [Appendix]. However, I will offer an amendment approved by the committee, suggested by Delegate Morgan, and approved by the committee after the report has formally been moved for adoption.

At the present time we prohibit compensation, which is contingent, and I am reading now from page 4 of the proposed regulation, "in whole or in part, upon the adoption or defeat of any matter or proposal and no person shall accept any such em-