

apply to submissions made to public office holders on behalf of a person with respect to the enforcement, interpretation, or application of any federal law or regulation by that office holder in relation to that person. Finally, disclosure of the name or identity of any individual is not required where the safety of the individual could be threatened.

The Act provides for the creation of a position of "Registrar", who is to establish and maintain a "Registry of Lobbyists" in which is kept a record of all information submitted under the Act. The Registry is open to public inspection.

The Registrar is to submit annual reports to the Registrar General of Canada, who is also the Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs. These reports are tabled in the Registrar General before both Houses of Parliament.

Offences are set out in section 13 of the Act. Any contravention or failure to comply with the Act is a summary conviction offence subject to a fine not exceeding \$25,000. Knowingly making a false or misleading statement in connection with any information to be filed under the Act is punishable by summary conviction or indictment. A conviction in proceedings by way of summary conviction is subject to a fine not exceeding \$25,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months or to both proceedings by way of indictment carry a fine not exceeding \$100,000, imprisonment for up to two years, or both. The principal enforcement authority for the law is the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

The Lobbyists Registration Regulations set out the type and form of the information to be filed by Part I and Part II lobbyists. They also establish the fees applicable for services provided by the Registry of Lobbyists.