



Campaign Contributions and Lobbying Expenditures of Tobacco Interests in California

2007-2008 Election Cycle: January 2007 – June 2008

This report details spending by tobacco interests on lobbying expenditures and campaign contributions for the first year and a half of the 2007-2008 election cycle. This report is one in a series of quarterly updates produced by the Center for Tobacco Policy & Organizing, a project of the American Lung Association of California.

Introduction

Tobacco interests continue to maintain a strong presence in the California Legislature through campaign contributions. The four tobacco interests (Philip Morris USA Inc., RJ Reynolds Tobacco Company, US Smokeless Tobacco Company, and the California Distributors Association), have made a total of nearly \$1.2 million in campaign contributions through the first year and a half of the 2007-2008 election cycle. Roughly \$400,000 in contributions was given to current legislators and candidates who are running for Assembly and Senate seats in the November 2008 election and nearly 47 percent of the Members of the Legislature (40 Assembly Members and 16 Senators) have accepted contributions from tobacco interests thus far in the 2007-2008 election cycle. This represents a slight decrease from the same period in the 2005-2006 election cycle when 49 percent of the Members of the Legislature (59 legislators) accepted contributions from tobacco interests. However, legislators will still be actively raising campaign funds prior to the November 2008 general election so this number could increase. Tobacco interests have made contributions to 14 candidates for legislative office who are not currently elected to one of those offices. The remaining amount of campaign contributions, nearly \$800,000, was made to 13 political committees, including those that work to elect Republican candidates, Democratic candidates and “pro-business” candidates.

For lobbying expenditures, tobacco interests during this period have actually increased their spending over the 2005-2006 period on lobbying the California Legislature. While the most recent data included in this update from the second quarter of 2008 shows a typical amount of spending on lobbying by the tobacco interests, total spending for the first year and a half of this two-year period is greater than the total during the entire 2005-2006 reporting period. This increased spending on lobbying is mainly a result of the amount of money Philip Morris USA Inc. spent to lobby the health care reform bill (ABX1-1) sponsored by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger and then Assembly Speaker Fabian Núñez. The bill would have expanded health coverage and been partially financed by a \$1.75/pack tobacco tax. The health care reform bill was under consideration by the Legislature during the last quarter of 2007 and the first quarter of 2008. During those two quarters, Philip Morris spent nearly \$900,000 on lobbying, which is more than the tobacco company spent on lobbying during the entire previous two-year period.

Background

The tobacco interests profiled in this report hire lobbyists and are therefore considered lobbyist employers by the Secretary of State and are required to submit quarterly disclosure reports. These reports must state which legislative or administrative actions, such as bills or regulations, were lobbied during that quarter and how much money was spent on payments to lobbying firms and activity expenses, which is defined to include gifts, honoraria, consulting fees and salaries. Each quarter covers three months out of the calendar year (January through March, April through June, July through September, and October through December) making a total of eight quarters for the two-year reporting period. The figures on lobbying expenditures in this update come from the first six of eight quarterly disclosure reports for the 2007-2008 reporting period.

These tobacco entities, like other interest groups, are required by law to submit statements to the Secretary of State that detail campaign contributions twice annually and more often in election years. Campaign contributions include all monetary contributions and non-monetary contributions, such as donated goods or services. Philip Morris USA Inc. files its report of campaign contributions under the name Altria Group Inc.'s Affiliates, and the campaign contributions figures in this report contain all Altria Group Inc.'s Affiliates' contributions. Prior to 2007, that included contributions from Kraft Foods Global, Inc. which had filed its contributions under the name Altria Group Inc.'s Affiliates. However, in 2007, Kraft Foods Global, Inc. was spun off from Altria Group Inc.'s Affiliates and stopped filing its campaign contributions under the Altria Group Inc.'s Affiliates name. The US Smokeless Tobacco Company files under the name UST Inc., which includes the US Smokeless Tobacco Company and UST Public Affairs. The campaign finance figures in this report contain all UST Inc. contributions. The data on campaign contributions in this update comes from the first three of four semiannual contributions reports for the 2007-2008 election cycle.

The Secretary of State's website, <http://cal-access.ss.ca.gov>, contains a searchable database with all of the figures that are found in this report. While this report attempts to convey accurate campaign finance and lobbying data, it is important to note that these records are subject to amendment by donors and data is subject to change.

The Center for Tobacco Policy & Organizing produces regular reports on lobbying expenditures and campaign contributions as this information is filed with the Secretary of State. For past reports, please visit the Center's website at www.Center4TobaccoPolicy.org/tobaccomoney. In addition, the Center maintains a database of campaign contributions to legislators and candidates from tobacco interests for the 2001-2002 election cycle through the present. This searchable database is available at www.Center4TobaccoPolicy.org/database.

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**Table 1: Lobbying Expenditures and Legislation Lobbied by Tobacco Interests
(January 1, 2007 – June 30, 2008)**

Table 1 shows the amount each tobacco interest spent on lobbying and the bills or administrative actions they lobbied during the first six quarters of the 2007-2008 reporting period.

Philip Morris USA Inc.

Quarter	Amount Spent	Bills/Issues Lobbied
1st Quarter 2007	\$183,678.07	SB 24 (Torlakson) Environmental Tobacco Smoke Mitigation Fee
2nd Quarter 2007	\$161,546.65	AB 1585 (Lieber) Expansion of Nonsale Distribution of Tobacco Products SB 24 (Torlakson) Environmental Tobacco Smoke Mitigation Fee SB 554 (Migden) Changing the Definition of a Cigarette SB 950 (Corbett) Require Reporting of Tobacco Products Ingredients SCA 13 (Torlakson) Proposed Constitutional Amendment to Increase the Tax on Cigarettes
3rd Quarter 2007	\$108,064.54	AB 1585 (Lieber) Expansion of Nonsale Distribution of Tobacco Products SB 24 (Torlakson) Environmental Tobacco Smoke Mitigation Fee SB 554 (Migden) Changing the Definition of a Cigarette SB 950 (Corbett) Require Reporting of Tobacco Products Ingredients SCA 13 (Torlakson) Proposed Constitutional Amendment to Increase the Tax on Cigarettes
4th Quarter 2007	\$343,389.04	ABX1-1 (Núñez) Health Care Reform
1st Quarter 2008	\$543,896.99	ABX1-1 (Núñez) Health Care Reform AB 1860 (Huffman) Recall or Warnings for Unsafe Products SB 1575 (Florez) Consumer Product Recall Enforcement
2nd Quarter 2008	\$124,291.06	AB 1860 (Huffman) Recall or Warnings for Unsafe Products AB 1879 (Feuer) Regulating Sales of Products with Specified Chemicals AB 2379 (Evans) Providing Review of Orders to Seal Court Documents AB 2780 (Lieu) Relating to Liability of Public Entities SB 509 (Simitian) Require Identification of Substances Present in Consumer Products SB 1575 (Florez) Consumer Product Recall Enforcement SCA 13 (Torlakson) Proposed Constitutional Amendment to Increase the Tax on Cigarettes
Total	\$1,464,866.35	

Reynolds American Inc. (R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company)

Quarter	Amount Spent	Bills/Issues Lobbied
1st Quarter 2007	\$54,621.55	No legislation reported during this quarter
2nd Quarter 2007	\$55,893.74	AB 1585 (Lieber) Expansion of Nonsale Distribution of Tobacco Products SB 24 (Torlakson) Environmental Tobacco Smoke Mitigation Fee SB 554 (Migden) Changing the Definition of a Cigarette SB 950 (Corbett) Require Reporting of Tobacco Products Ingredients
3rd Quarter 2007	\$54,836.06	AB 1585 (Lieber) Expansion of Nonsale Distribution of Tobacco Products SB 24 (Torlakson) Environmental Tobacco Smoke Mitigation Fee SB 554 (Migden) Changing the Definition of a Cigarette SB 950 (Corbett) Require Reporting of Tobacco Products Ingredients
4th Quarter 2007	\$66,743.50	No legislation reported during this quarter
1st Quarter 2008	\$62,104.28	No legislation reported during this quarter
2nd Quarter 2008	\$54,512.78	ABX1-1 (Núñez) Health Care Reform SCA 13 (Torlakson) Proposed Constitutional Amendment to Increase the Tax on Cigarettes
Total	\$348,711.91	

UST Public Affairs, Inc. (U.S. Smokeless Tobacco Company)

Quarter	Amount Spent	Bills/Issues Lobbied
1st Quarter 2007	\$109,082.03	SB 24 (Torlakson) Environmental Tobacco Smoke Mitigation Fee SB 624 (Padilla) Increased STAKE Act Enforcement
2nd Quarter 2007	\$132.00	AB 1585 (Lieber) Expansion of Nonsale Distribution of Tobacco Products SB 24 (Torlakson) Environmental Tobacco Smoke Mitigation Fee SB 624 (Padilla) Increased STAKE Act Enforcement SB 950 (Corbett) Require Reporting of Tobacco Products Ingredients
3rd Quarter 2007	\$96,476.77	AB 1585 (Lieber) Expansion of Nonsale Distribution of Tobacco Products SB 24 (Torlakson) Environmental Tobacco Smoke Mitigation Fee SB 295 (Cogdill) Definition of Untaxed Tobacco Product SB 624 (Padilla) Increased STAKE Act Enforcement SCA 13 (Torlakson) Proposed Constitutional Amendment to Increase the Tax on Cigarettes
4th Quarter 2007	\$1,465.34	AB 1585 (Lieber) Expansion of Nonsale Distribution of Tobacco Products SB 24 (Torlakson) Environmental Tobacco Smoke Mitigation Fee
1st Quarter 2008	\$100,108.31	ABX1-1 (Núñez) Health Care Reform AB 1585 (Lieber) Expansion of Nonsale Distribution of Tobacco Products SB 24 (Torlakson) Environmental Tobacco Smoke Mitigation Fee SCA 13 (Torlakson) Proposed Constitutional Amendment to Increase the Tax on Cigarettes
2nd Quarter 2008	\$0	AB 1585 (Lieber) Expansion of Nonsale Distribution of Tobacco Products SB 24 (Torlakson) Environmental Tobacco Smoke Mitigation Fee SCA 13 (Torlakson) Proposed Constitutional Amendment to Increase the Tax on Cigarettes
Total	\$307,264.45	

California Distributors Association*

Quarter	Amount Spent	Bills/Issues Lobbied
1st Quarter 2007	\$13,533.23	SB 295 (Cogdill) Reporting of Tobacco Products Sales SB 625 (Padilla) Tobacco Product Retailers License Reinstatement Fee
2nd Quarter 2007	\$13,079.68	SB 295 (Cogdill) Definition of Untaxed Tobacco Product SB 625 (Padilla) Tobacco Product Retailers License Reinstatement Fee Board of Equalization – Taxation Regulations
3rd Quarter 2007	\$12,800.00	SB 295 (Cogdill) Definition of Untaxed Tobacco Product SB 625 (Padilla) Tobacco Product Retailers License Reinstatement Fee Board of Equalization – Tax Regulation
4th Quarter 2007	\$12,800.00	Board of Equalization – Excise tax issues
1st Quarter 2008	\$12,880.00	AB 1860 (Huffman) Recall or Warnings for Unsafe Products AB 2088 (Beall) Annual Fee for State Tobacco Retailer License AB 2344 (Beall) Annual Fee for State Tobacco Retailer License SB 509 (Simitian) Require Identification of Substances Present in Consumer Products SB 1598 (Padilla) Authorizing Landlords to Prohibit Smoking in Rental Units
2nd Quarter 2008	\$13,040.00	AB 1860 (Huffman) Recall or Warnings for Unsafe Products AB 2088 (Beall) Annual Fee for State Tobacco Retailer License AB 2344 (Beall) Annual Fee for State Tobacco Retailer License SB 1598 (Padilla) Authorizing Landlords to Prohibit Smoking in Rental Units
Total	\$78,132.91	

*The California Distributors Association lobbies on other issues besides tobacco issues. The table reflects total amount of money spent on lobbying but only lists the tobacco-related bills.

**Table 2: Historical Lobbying Expenditures of Tobacco Interests
(January 1, 1999 – June 30, 2008)**

Tobacco interests have spent more than \$12 million on lobbying expenditures during the past nine and a half years. **Table 2** shows this historical spending from 1999 through the second quarter of 2008.

Company	1999-2000	2001-2002	2003-2004	2005-2006	2007-2008 (1/1/07 – 6/30/08)	Totals
Philip Morris USA Inc.	\$714,986	\$799,693	\$1,070,237	\$884,694	\$1,464,866	\$4,934,476
RJ Reynolds Tobacco Company	\$472,184	\$615,058	\$489,916	\$598,507	\$348,712	\$2,524,376
UST Public Affairs, Inc. (US Smokeless Tobacco Company)	\$210,077	\$310,073	\$465,446	\$391,137	\$307,264	\$1,683,997
Brown & Williamson*	\$611,531	\$587,781	\$304,239	-	-	\$1,503,551
Lorillard Tobacco Company**	\$206,815	\$493,975	\$381,657	\$187,202	-	\$1,269,649
Smokeless Tobacco Council ***	\$197,317	\$263,817	\$67,500	-	-	\$528,634
California Distributors Association****	\$20,564	\$87,537	\$95,378	\$99,324	\$78,133	\$380,936
Totals	\$2,433,474	\$3,157,934	\$2,874,372	\$2,160,864	\$2,198,975	\$12,825,619

* Brown & Williamson merged with RJ Reynolds in August 2004. | ** Lorillard terminated lobbying in December 2005. | *** Smokeless Tobacco Council terminated lobbying in December 2003. | **** California Distributors Association includes data from the last 2 quarters of 2000 to the present.

**Table 3: Contributions to Assembly Members from Tobacco Interests
(January 1, 2007 – June 30, 2008)**

Table 3 shows the contributions from tobacco interests to Members of the California State Assembly. So far in the 2007-2008 election cycle, tobacco interests have given more than \$230,000 to a total of 40 Members of the State Assembly.

Party/ District	Assembly Member	Altria Group Inc.'s Affiliates (Philip Morris)	RJ Reynolds Tobacco Company	UST Inc. (US Smokeless Tobacco Company)	California Distributors Association PAC	Totals
R-59	Adams, Anthony	\$3,600	\$2,000	-	-	\$5,600
R-26	Aghazarian, Greg	\$3,600	\$5,000	-	-	\$8,600
R-77	Anderson, Joel	\$3,600	\$3,000	-	-	\$6,600
D-31	Arambula, Juan	-	-	-	-	-
D-47	Bass, Karen	-	-	-	-	-
D-24	Beall, Jim Jr.	-	-	-	\$1,000	\$1,000
R-64	Benoit, John	\$1,500	\$3,600	-	-	\$5,100
D-01	Berg, Patty	-	-	-	-	-
R-25	Berryhill, Tom	\$3,600	\$2,750	\$1,800	-	\$8,150
R-33	Blakeslee, Sam	-	-	-	-	-
D-41	Brownley, Julia	-	-	-	-	-
D-28	Caballero, Anna	-	-	-	-	-
D-58	Calderon, Charles	\$3,600	\$2,000	-	\$1,500	\$7,100
D-62	Carter, Wilmer Amina	\$3,600	\$2,000	-	-	\$5,600
R-65	Cook, Paul	\$3,600	\$2,000	-	-	\$5,600
D-23	Coto, Joe	\$3,600	-	-	\$1,000	\$4,600
D-48	Davis, Mike	-	-	-	-	-
D-50	De La Torre, Hector	-	-	-	-	-
D-45	de León, Kevin	-	-	-	-	-
D-11	DeSaulnier, Mark	-	-	-	-	-
R-70	DeVore, Chuck	\$3,600	\$3,000	-	-	\$6,600
R-72	Duvall, Mike	\$3,600	\$2,000	-	-	\$5,600
D-52	Dymally, Mervyn	-	-	-	-	-
R-63	Emmerson, Bill	\$3,600	\$5,050	\$6,175	\$1,800	\$16,625
D-49	Eng, Mike	-	-	-	-	-
D-07	Evans, Noreen	-	-	-	-	-
D-42	Feuer, Mike	-	-	-	-	-
D-39	Fuentes, Felipe	-	-	-	-	-
R-32	Fuller, Jean	\$3,600	\$2,000	-	-	\$5,600
D-55*	Furutani, Warren	-	-	-	-	-
R-04	Gaines, Ted	\$7,200	\$2,000	\$2,300	-	\$11,500
D-17	Galgiani, Cathleen	-	\$1,000	-	-	\$1,000
R-80	Garcia, Bonnie	\$1,600	\$2,500	\$2,000	-	\$6,100
R-74	Garrick, Martin	\$3,600	\$2,000	\$1,000	-	\$6,600
D-14	Hancock, Loni	-	-	-	-	-
D-18	Hayashi, Mary	-	-	-	-	-
D-57	Hernandez, Ed	-	-	-	\$1,000	\$1,000
R-78	Horton, Shirley	-	\$1,500	-	-	\$1,500
R-15	Houston, Guy	-	\$1,000	-	-	\$1,000
R-60	Huff, Bob	\$3,600	\$5,800	-	-	\$9,400
D-06	Huffman, Jared	-	-	-	-	-

**Table 3: Contributions to Assembly Members from Tobacco Interests
(January 1, 2007 – June 30, 2008)**

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Party/ District	Assembly Member	Altria Group Inc.'s Affiliates (Philip Morris)	RJ Reynolds Tobacco Company	UST Inc. (US Smokeless Tobacco Company)	California Distributors Association PAC	Totals
R-66	Jeffries, Kevin	\$3,600	\$2,000	-	-	\$5,600
D-09	Jones, Dave	-	-	-	-	-
D-54	Karnette, Betty	-	-	-	-	-
R-03	Keene, Rick	\$3,600	\$1,000	\$3,600	-	\$8,200
D-43	Krekorian, Paul	-	-	-	-	-
R-02	La Malfa, Doug	-	\$3,000	-	-	\$3,000
D-27	Laird, John	-	-	-	-	-
D-13	Leno, Mark	-	-	-	-	-
D-40	Levine, Lloyd	-	-	-	-	-
D-22	Lieber, Sally	-	-	-	-	-
D-53	Lieu, Ted	-	-	-	-	-
D-12	Ma, Fiona	-	-	-	\$1,000	\$1,000
R-34	Maze, Bill	-	\$1,000	-	-	\$1,000
D-56	Mendoza, Tony	-	-	-	-	-
D-19	Mullin, Gene	-	-	-	-	-
R-10	Nakanishi, Alan	-	-	-	-	-
D-35	Nava, Pedro	-	-	-	-	-
R-05	Niello, Roger	\$3,600	\$2,500	-	-	\$6,100
D-46	Núñez, Fabian	-	-	-	-	-
D-30	Parra, Nicole	-	-	-	-	-
R-75	Plescia, George	\$2,000	\$6,000	\$3,000	\$1,500	\$12,500
D-44	Portantino, Anthony	-	-	-	-	-
D-51	Price, Curren Jr.	\$3,600	-	\$2,400	\$1,500	\$7,500
R-36	Runner, Sharon	-	\$1,000	\$3,000	-	\$4,000
D-21	Ruskin, Ira	-	-	-	-	-
D-79	Salas, Mary	-	-	-	-	-
D-76	Saldaña, Lori	-	-	-	-	-
R-67	Silva, Jim	\$3,600	\$1,000	-	-	\$4,600
R-38	Smyth, Cameron	\$3,600	\$5,600	\$1,500	-	\$10,700
D-69	Solorio, Jose	\$3,600	-	-	-	\$3,600
D-61	Soto, Nell	-	-	-	-	-
R-71	Spitzer, Todd	-	-	-	-	-
R-37	Strickland, Audra	\$3,600	\$2,500	-	-	\$6,100
D-16	Swanson, Sandre	-	\$1,000	-	-	\$1,000
D-20	Torrco, Alberto	-	-	-	\$1,000	\$1,000
R-68	Tran, Van	\$3,600	\$2,000	-	-	\$5,600
R-29	Villines, Michael	\$3,600	\$3,500	\$6,200	-	\$13,300
R-73	Walters, Mimi	\$3,600	\$3,000	-	-	\$6,600
D-08	Wolk, Lois	-	-	-	-	-
	Totals	\$102,300	\$85,300	\$32,975	\$11,300	\$231,875

*Laura Richardson represented the 55th Assembly District prior to being elected to Congress and sworn in as a U.S. Representative on September 4, 2007. Laura Richardson received \$4,600 in contributions (\$3,600 from Philip Morris and \$1,000 from RJ Reynolds) prior to leaving the California Legislature.

**Table 4: Contributions to State Senators from Tobacco Interests
(January 1, 2007- June 30, 2008)**

Table 4 shows the contributions from tobacco interests to Members of the California State Senate. In the 2007-2008 election cycle, 16 of these Senators accepted contributions from tobacco interests for a total of more than \$100,000 in campaign contributions.

Party/ District	Senator	Altria Group Inc.'s Affiliates (Philip Morris)	RJ Reynolds Tobacco Company	UST Inc. (US Smokeless Tobacco Company)	California Distributors Association PAC	Totals
R-04	Aanestad, Sam	-	-	\$1,500	-	\$1,500
R-33	Ackerman, Richard	\$3,200	\$4,000	\$1,500	-	\$8,700
D-13	Alquist, Elaine	-	-	-	-	-
R-18	Ashburn, Roy	-	\$3,500	-	-	\$3,500
R-37	Battin, Jim	-	\$3,500	\$2,000	-	\$5,500
D-30	Calderon, Ronald	\$3,600	\$1,500	-	-	\$5,100
D-22	Cedillo, Gil	-	-	-	-	-
R-14	Cogdill, Dave	\$3,600	\$4,500	\$5,400	\$1,500	\$15,000
D-10	Corbett, Ellen	-	-	-	-	-
D-34	Correa, Lou	\$3,600	\$2,200	-	-	\$5,800
R-01	Cox, Dave	-	\$3,000	-	-	\$3,000
R-12	Denham, Jeff	\$1,500	\$2,000	\$10,491	-	\$13,991
D-40	Ducheny, Denise Moreno	-	-	-	-	-
R-31	Dutton, Bob	-	\$3,000	-	-	\$3,000
D-16	Florez, Dean	-	-	-	-	-
R-35	Harman, Tom	\$3,600	\$4,500	-	-	\$8,100
R-36	Hollingsworth, Dennis	-	\$1,500	\$3,600	-	\$5,100
D-39	Kehoe, Christine	-	-	-	-	-
D-23	Kuehl, Sheila	-	-	-	-	-
D-27	Lowenthal, Alan	-	-	-	-	-
D-05	Machado, Mike	-	-	-	-	-
R-15	Maldonado, Abel	-	-	-	-	-
R-29	Margett, Bob	-	-	-	-	-
R-19	McClintock, Tom	-	\$3,000	-	\$1,500	\$4,500
D-03	Migden, Carol	-	-	-	-	-
D-32	Negrete McLeod, Gloria	\$3,600	-	-	-	\$3,600
D-28	Oropeza, Jenny	-	-	-	-	-
D-20	Padilla, Alex	-	-	-	-	-
D-09	Perata, Don	-	-	-	-	-
D-26	Ridley-Thomas, Mark	-	-	-	-	-
D-24	Romero, Gloria	-	-	-	-	-
R-17	Runner, George	-	\$3,500	\$3,600	-	\$7,100
D-21	Scott, Jack	-	-	-	-	-
D-11	Simitian, Joe	-	-	-	-	-
D-06	Steinberg, Darrell	-	-	-	-	-
D-07	Torlakson, Tom	-	-	-	-	-
D-25	Vincent, Edward	-	-	-	-	-
D-02	Wiggins, Patricia	-	-	-	-	-
R-38	Wyland, Mark	-	\$4,000	\$5,543	-	\$9,543
D-08	Yee, Leland	-	-	-	-	-
	Totals	\$22,700	\$43,700	\$33,634	\$3,000	\$103,034

**Table 5: Contributions to Constitutional Officers from Tobacco Interests
(January 1, 2007- June 30, 2008)**

Tobacco interests also gave contributions to constitutional officers, which includes statewide offices and the four Board of Equalization districts. While not being able to vote on tobacco-related legislation as state legislators can, these elected officials influence laws and government actions related to the tobacco industry. For example, the State Board of Equalization oversees the administration of cigarette and tobacco products taxes and tobacco licensing statutes. **Table 5** shows contributions to constitutional officers who were all elected in 2006.

Statewide Office	Name of Official	Altria Group Inc.'s Affiliates (Philip Morris)	RJ Reynolds Tobacco Company	UST Inc. (US Smokeless Tobacco Company)	California Distributors Association PAC	Totals
Governor	Schwarzenegger, Arnold	-	-	-	-	-
Lieutenant Governor	Garamendi, John	-	-	-	-	-
Secretary of State	Bowen, Debra	-	-	-	-	-
Controller	Chiang, John	-	-	-	-	-
Treasurer	Lockyer, Bill	-	-	-	-	-
Attorney General	Brown, Jerry	-	-	-	-	-
Superintendent of Public Instruction	O'Connell, Jack	-	-	-	-	-
Insurance Commissioner	Poizner, Steve	-	-	-	-	-
Board of Equalization District 1	Yee, Betty	-	-	-	-	-
Board of Equalization District 2	Leonard, Bill	-	-	-	-	-
Board of Equalization District 3	Steel, Michelle	-	-	\$4,500	-	\$4,500
Board of Equalization District 4	Chu, Judy	-	-	-	-	-
Totals		\$0	\$0	\$4,500	\$0	\$4,500

Table 6: Contributions to Candidates for Legislative and Constitutional Offices from Tobacco Interests (January 1, 2007- June 30, 2008)

Candidates who are going to challenge incumbent legislators or to vie for open legislative seats have been raising money throughout the 2007-2008 election cycle. All of these candidates were on the ballot for the June 3, 2008 primary election, in which the candidates for each party were chosen for the general election in November. **Table 6** shows the contributions made by tobacco interests to candidates running for an Assembly or Senate seat who are not currently elected to one of those offices. Any candidates that do not appear in this table have not received contributions from tobacco interests through the first year and a half of the 2007-2008 election cycle. Candidates whose names are in italics were defeated in the June 3 primary and will not be on the ballot in November.

Name of Candidate	Elected Office	Altria Group Inc.'s Affiliates (Philip Morris)	RJ Reynolds Tobacco Company	UST Inc. (US Smokeless Tobacco Company)	California Distributors Association PAC	Totals
<i>Arabo, Auday</i>	Assembly District 78	-	-	-	\$1,000	\$1,000
Berryhill, Bill	Assembly District 26	\$3,600	-	-	-	\$3,600
<i>Bogh, Russ</i>	Senate District 37	-	\$3,500	\$3,600	-	\$7,100
<i>Caserta, Dominic</i>	Assembly District 22	-	-	-	\$1,000	\$1,000
Fletcher, Nathan	Assembly District 75	\$3,600	\$3,000	-	-	\$6,600
Gilmore, Danny	Assembly District 30	\$3,600	-	-	-	\$3,600
Harkey, Diane	Assembly District 73	\$3,600	\$1,000	-	-	\$4,600
<i>Hegy, Paul</i>	Assembly District 10	-	\$1,000	\$3,600	-	\$4,600
Knight, Steve	Assembly District 36	\$3,600	-	-	-	\$3,600
Maze, Rebecca	Assembly District 34	-	\$1,000	-	-	\$1,000
<i>Mountjoy, Dennis</i>	Senate District 29	-	\$1,500	-	-	\$1,500
Nielsen, Jim	Assembly District 2	\$3,600	\$1,500	-	-	\$5,100
Strickland, Tony	Senate District 19	\$3,600	\$5,000	\$1,250	-	\$9,850
Wright, Rod	Senate District 25	-	\$3,500	-	-	\$3,500
	Totals	\$25,200	\$21,000	\$8,450	\$2,000	\$56,650

**Table 7: Contributions to Political Committees from Tobacco Interests
(January 1, 2007 – June 30, 2008)**

Table 7 shows the contributions from tobacco interests to different political committees. Tobacco interests have contributed to 13 political committees during the 2007-2008 election cycle. These contributions total nearly \$780,000 and make up about two-thirds of the total campaign contributions in this election cycle.

The names of political committees do not always make it clear what types of candidates and issues that committee supports or opposes. To provide a clearer picture about what type of committees are accepting contributions from tobacco companies, some background information about what each committee primarily spends its funds on is provided below.

California Republican Party – Uses funds to get Republican candidates elected

JOBS PAC – Uses funds to support pro-business candidates

Voter Education and Registration Fund – Uses funds to register individuals to vote and to elect Democratic candidates

Voter Registration 2008 – Uses funds to register individuals to vote and contributes money to specific campaigns

Ventura County Republican Party – Uses funds to support Republican candidates in Ventura County

Alliance for California’s Tomorrow – Uses funds to support pro-business candidates

Californians for Civil Justice Reform PAC – Uses funds to support pro-legal liability reform candidates

Asian American Small Business PAC – Uses funds to support candidates that demonstrate a commitment to improving the economic and regulatory climate for Asian American small business owners and entrepreneurs

Legislative Black Coalition Independent Expenditure Committee – Uses funds to elect African American candidates

Californians United – Uses funds to contribute to specific campaigns

African American Voter Registration Education and Participation Project – Uses funds for voter registration and other programs

Republican Central Committee of San Joaquin County – Uses funds to support Republican candidates in San Joaquin County

Conservative Women’s Leadership Association of South County – Uses funds to support female candidates who support smaller government and individual freedom

Committee Name	Altria Group Inc.'s Affiliates (Philip Morris)	RJ Reynolds Tobacco Company	UST Inc. (US Smokeless Tobacco Company)	California Distributors Association PAC	Totals
California Republican Party	\$347,500	\$17,500	\$60,000	-	\$425,000
JOBS PAC	\$80,000	-	-	-	\$80,000
Voter Education and Registration Fund	\$50,000	-	\$2,500	-	\$52,500
Voter Registration 2008	\$50,000	-	-	-	\$50,000
Ventura County Republican Party	\$50,000	-	-	-	\$50,000
Alliance for California’s Tomorrow	\$45,000	-	-	-	\$45,000
Californians for Civil Justice Reform PAC	\$25,000	-	-	-	\$25,000
Asian American Small Business PAC	\$15,000	-	\$5,000	-	\$20,000
Legislative Black Coalition Independent Expenditure Committee	\$15,000	-	-	-	\$15,000
Californians United	\$10,000	-	-	-	\$10,000
African American Voter Registration Education and Participation Project	\$5,000	-	-	-	\$5,000
Republican Central Committee of San Joaquin County	-	-	\$1,050	-	\$1,050
Conservative Women’s Leadership Association of South County	-	-	-	\$1,000	\$1,000
Totals	\$692,500	\$17,500	\$68,550	\$1,000	\$779,550

**Table 8: Historical Contributions from Tobacco Interests
(January 1, 1999 – June 30, 2008)**

Tobacco interests have contributed more than \$74 million to candidates for and Members of the Legislature, constitutional officers, political committees and ballot initiative campaigns during the past four election cycles and the first year and a half of the 2007-2008 election cycle. **Table 8** shows this historical spending.

Company	1999-2000	2001-2002	2003-2004	2005-2006	2007-2008 (1/1/07 – 6/30/08)	Totals
Altria Group Inc.'s Affiliates (Phillip Morris) *	\$1,219,581	\$1,081,751	\$2,239,254	\$37,703,162	\$846,300	\$43,090,048
RJ Reynolds Tobacco Company	\$394,575	\$316,250	\$202,600	\$25,732,898	\$168,525	\$26,814,848
UST Inc. (US Smokeless Tobacco Company)**	\$192,779	\$76,792	\$327,768	\$3,097,642	\$148,109	\$3,843,090
Brown & Williamson***	\$207,520	\$270,000	\$24,500	-	-	\$502,020
Lorillard Tobacco Company	\$45,500	\$40,500	\$61,500	\$15,000	-	\$162,500
California Distributors Association PAC ****	\$11,331	\$57,250	\$39,400	\$34,400	\$17,360	\$159,741
Smokeless Tobacco Council	\$15,750	-	-	-	-	\$15,750
Totals	\$2,087,036	\$1,842,543	\$2,895,022	\$66,583,102	\$1,180,294	\$74,587,997

* Kraft and Philip Morris currently file a joint report under the name Altria Group, Inc.'s Affiliates (Philip Morris USA Inc. and Kraft Foods Global, Inc.). The campaign finance figures in this report contain all Altria Group contributions. | ** U.S. Smokeless Tobacco Company files under the name UST Inc., which also includes UST Public Affairs. The campaign finance figures in this report contain all UST Inc. contributions. | *** Brown & Williamson merged with RJ Reynolds in August 2004. | **** California Distributors Association PAC includes contributions from October 2000 to the present.

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