



**State of Washington  
PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION**

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Subject: Staff-generated complaint, PDC Case 91600

Dear American Behavioral Health Services Inc:

On June 2, 2021, the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) notified you of alleged violations of RCW 42.17A.630 for failure to timely file Lobbyist Employer's Annual Reports (L-3 reports) disclosing lobbying activities for calendar years 2019 and 2020.

PDC staff have reviewed this matter and found the following:

- The PDC received American Behavioral Health Services Inc's L-3 reports for 2019 & 2020 on June 3, 2021, as required by RCW 42.17A.630. As a Lobbyist Employer, the yearly report is due by the last day of February of each following year, making your reports 460 and 95 days late respectively.
- American Behavioral Health Services Inc completed a *Statement of Understanding* (SOU) and paid a \$200 civil penalty in accordance with WAC 390-37-143 (Brief Enforcement Penalty Schedule), acknowledging a violation of RCW 42.17A.630 for failing to timely file Lobbyist Employer's Annual Reports (L-3 reports) disclosing lobbying activities for calendar years 2019 & 2020. The \$200 penalty assessed resolves the allegation in this case.

Based on this information, the PDC finds that no further action is warranted and has dismissed this matter in accordance with RCW 42.17A.755(1)(a). The PDC will not conduct a more formal investigation into these allegations or take further enforcement action in this matter.

If you have questions, you may contact Tabatha Blacksmith at 1-360-753-1111, toll-free at 1-877-601-2828 or by e-mail at [pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov](mailto:pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov)

Sincerely,

Electronically signed

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Endorsed by,

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