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The Honorable Dan Morales
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Dear General Morales:

Please find enclosed a letter from Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr. asking for an opinion on the question, "May a county school administration retain a lobbyist under Section 21.939 of the Education Code."

I am requesting your opinion on this matter.

Please allow me to state, as the author of Senate Bill 7, that it is my firm conviction such an action was intended to be prohibited if the purpose of such hiring is to simply circumvent the statute prohibiting the same activity by the constituent school district(s).

Thank you for your attention to this request.

Yours very truly,

William R. Ratliff
State Senator

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cc: Honorable Eddie Lucio, Jr.