

Abstract

Bachelor thesis *Barack Obama's Efforts to Reduce the Influence of Lobbyists and Interests Groups on Federal Government* deals with Barack Obama efforts to reduce the influence of lobbyists and interests groups in regards with federal government rulings. First of all it explains that lobbying is protected by the First Amendment of the US Constitution which implies freedom of speech. Although lobbying has been regulated ever since the 19th century, the first important federal law was not enacted until 1945 when Federal Regulation of Lobbying Act came into force. The main part of the thesis concentrates on the person of Barack Obama and his actions and initiatives concerning federal lobbying regulations. During his term in US Senate was Obama leading person in promoting the Honest Leadership and Open Government Act of 2007. After that, on his first day as a president Obama signed First Executive Order which was supposed to close revolving door between the government and the private sector. In the last part, it analysis problematic parts of reform and gives possible solutions.