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**REGISTRAR DECLINES TO INVESTIGATE COMPLAINT CONCERNING RICHARD
TURNER**

VICTORIA – Acting Registrar of Lobbyists Paul Fraser has declined to investigate the complaint filed by Spencer Chandra Herbert on behalf of the Official Opposition alleging that Richard Turner engaged in activities that constituted lobbying but did not register as required by the previous Lobbyists Registration Act. The decision was contained in a letter to Mr. Herbert released today.

The complaint concerned telephone conversations between Mr. Turner and then-Minister of Community Development Kevin Krueger and meetings he arranged between representatives of the BC Pavilion Corporation and Paragon Developments.

The allegations concern activities that occurred before April 1, 2010, and therefore would fall under the previous Lobbyists Registration Act. In the letter, the registrar declines to investigate as he has no legal jurisdiction under the previous Act to conduct any investigation into the complaint.

The entire letter can be read at www.oipc.bc.ca.

The registrar will provide no further comment on this matter.

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