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Uber Agrees to \$98,000 Fine for NY Lobbying Reporting Violations

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In June, Uber Technologies Inc. and the New York State Joint Commission on Public Ethics (JCOPE) reached an agreement to settle allegations that Uber's New York lobbying reports covering 2015-2016 were inaccurate. As part of the settlement agreement, Uber will pay a \$98,000 fine. The settlement agreement also requires Uber to provide JCOPE with any requested records regarding its 2017-2018 reports so that JCOPE can confirm the accuracy of Uber's 2017-2018 filings.

JCOPE notified Uber after identifying a number of apparent discrepancies on Uber's reports covering 2015 and 2016. Uber determined that it had failed to disclose \$6.3 million in lobbying compensation and expenses in 2015 and 2016 and amended its reports. According to the settlement agreement, the discrepancies were a result of errors by both Uber and an outside firm that Uber hired to prepare and file reports.

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