

MetLife Paid Quinn Gillespie & Associates \$240,000 in 2007 to Lobby on Insurance Issues

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WASHINGTON (AP) -- Insurer MetLife Inc. paid Quinn Gillespie & Associates \$240,000 in 2007 to lobby the federal government.

The firm lobbied on issues dealing with terrorism risk and other forms of insurance, according to a disclosure form posted online Feb. 22 by the Senate's public records office. New York-based MetLife spent \$160,000 in the second half of 2007 to lobby on those issues.

Among those lobbying on the company's behalf were: Allison Giles, former chief of staff to the House Ways and Means Committee; Kevin Kayes, former chief counsel for Sen. Harry Reid, D-Nev. and Christopher McCannell, former chief of staff to Rep. Joseph Crowley, D-N.Y.

Lobbyists are required to disclose activities that could influence members of the executive and legislative branches, under a federal law enacted in 1995.

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