

HOUSE BILL NO. 650

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1 House BILL NO. 650
2 INTRODUCED BY Vincent Kammer
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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR TIME
5 LIMITS ON A CANDIDATE'S DEPOSIT OF FUNDS FROM POLITICAL
6 COMMITTEES; REQUIRING ADDITIONAL REPORTING OF CONTRIBUTIONS
7 RECEIVED FROM POLITICAL COMMITTEES; AMENDING SECTIONS
8 13-37-207 AND 13-37-226, MCA."
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10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:
11 Section 1. Section 13-37-207, MCA, is amended to read:
12 "13-37-207. Deposit of contributions -- statement of
13 campaign treasurer. (1) All funds received by the campaign
14 treasurer or any deputy campaign treasurer of any candidate
15 or political committee shall be deposited prior to the end
16 of the fifth business day following their receipt (Sundays
17 and holidays excluded) in a checking account, share draft
18 account, share checking account, or negotiable order of
19 withdrawal account in a campaign depository designated
20 pursuant to 13-37-205; ~~and no contribution from a political~~
21 ~~committee may be deposited after the 6th day preceding the~~
22 ~~date of the election.~~
23 (2) A statement showing the amount received from or
24 provided by each person and the account in which the funds
25 are deposited shall be prepared by the campaign treasurer at

1 the time the deposit is made. This statement along with the
2 receipt form for cash contributions deposited at the same
3 time and a deposit slip for the deposit shall be kept by the
4 treasurer as a part of his records."
5 Section 2. Section 13-37-226, MCA, is amended to read:
6 "13-37-226. Time for filing reports. (1) Candidates
7 for a state office filled by a statewide vote of all the
8 electors of Montana and political committees which are
9 specifically organized to support or oppose a particular
10 statewide candidate or issue shall file reports:
11 (a) on the 10th day of March and September in each
12 year that an election is to be held and on the 15th and 5th
13 days next preceding the date on which an election is held
14 and within 24 hours after receiving a contribution of \$500
15 or more if received between the 10th day before and the day
16 of the election;
17 (b) not more than 20 days after the date of the
18 election; and
19 (c) on the 10th day of March and September of each
20 year following an election until the candidate or political
21 committee files a closing report as specified in
22 13-37-228(3).
23 (2) Candidates for a state district office, including
24 but not limited to candidates for the legislature, public
25 service commission, or district court judge, and political

1 committees which are specifically organized to support or
2 oppose a particular state district candidate or issue shall
3 file reports:

4 (a) on the 10th day next preceding the date on which
5 an election is held and within 24 hours after receiving a
6 contribution of \$100 or more if received between the 15th
7 day before and the day of the election;

8 (b) not more than 20 days after the date of the
9 election; and

10 (c) whenever a candidate or political committee files
11 his or its closing report as specified in 13-37-228(3).

12 ~~(3) In addition to the requirements of subsection (2),~~
13 ~~a candidate for a state district office as provided in~~
14 ~~subsection (2) shall file a report on the 5th day preceding~~
15 ~~the date on which an election is held for any contribution~~
16 ~~not previously reported but received from a political~~
17 ~~committee between the 15th day preceding and the 5th day~~
18 ~~preceding the date of the election. The report must be~~
19 ~~current as of the date of filing.~~

20 ~~(3)(4)~~ Candidates for any other public office and
21 political committees which are specifically organized to
22 support or oppose a particular local issue shall be required
23 to file the reports specified in subsection (2) only if the
24 total amount of contributions received or the total amount
25 of funds expended for all elections in a campaign, excluding

1 the filing fee paid by the candidate, exceeds \$500, except
2 as provided in 13-37-206.

3 ~~(4)(5)~~ For the purposes of this subsection, a
4 committee which is not specifically organized to support or
5 oppose a particular candidate or ballot issue and which
6 receives contributions and makes expenditures in conjunction
7 with an election is an independent committee. For the
8 purpose of reporting, a political party committee is an
9 independent committee. An independent committee shall file
10 reports:

11 (a) on the 10th day next preceding the date of an
12 election in which it participates by making an expenditure;

13 (b) not more than 20 days after the date of the
14 election in which it participates by making an expenditure;
15 and

16 (c) a closing report at the close of each calendar
17 year, on a date to be prescribed by the commissioner.

18 ~~(5)(6)~~ The commissioner may promulgate rules regarding
19 the extent to which organizations that are not primary
20 political committees but are incidental political committees
21 shall report their politically related activities in
22 accordance with this chapter.

23 ~~(6)(7)~~ ~~Except as provided in subsection (3), all~~
24 reports required by this section shall be complete as of the
25 fifth day before the date of filing as specified in

1 13-37-225(2) and subsections (1) through ~~(5)~~ (6) of this
2 section."

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