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Representative Mason

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 16-914.01, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENSES.

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1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 16-914.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 16-914.01. Reporting of contributions by committees acting on
5 ballot measures; civil penalty; definition

6 A. In addition to the requirements relating to election contributions
7 prescribed in section 16-913, a committee acting in support of or opposition
8 to the qualification, passage or defeat of an initiative or referendum or any
9 other ballot measure, question or proposition shall give notice to the
10 secretary of state for statewide measures and the local filing officer who is
11 responsible for receiving campaign finance reports for filing for
12 nonstatewide measures of any contribution or group of contributions to the
13 committee that is made from a single source less than twenty days before the
14 day of the election if it exceeds:

15 1. A cumulative total of ten thousand dollars for a statewide ballot
16 measure, question or proposition.

17 2. Two thousand five hundred dollars for a nonstatewide ballot
18 measure, question or proposition in a political subdivision with a population
19 of one hundred thousand or more persons.

20 3. Five hundred dollars for a nonstatewide ballot measure, question or
21 proposition in a political subdivision with a population of less than one
22 hundred thousand persons.

23 B. In addition to the requirements of section 16-913, a committee
24 acting in support of or opposition to the qualification, passage or defeat of
25 an initiative or referendum or any other ballot measure, question or
26 proposition shall give notice to the secretary of state for statewide
27 measures and the local filing officer who is responsible for receiving
28 campaign finance reports for filing for nonstatewide measures the first time
29 each of the following occurs:

30 1. The committee has received contributions totaling ten thousand
31 dollars or more.

32 2. The committee has made expenditures totaling ten thousand dollars
33 or more.

34 3. The committee has received contributions totaling ten thousand
35 dollars or more from a single source.

36 4. The committee has received contributions totaling ten thousand
37 dollars or more from different additional single sources.

38 C. The notices prescribed by this section shall be filed within
39 twenty-four hours, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and other legal holidays,
40 after the ten thousand dollar amount has been reached and shall include the
41 identification of the contributors, the dates of receipt and the amounts of
42 the contributions or the amount, recipient and purpose of the
43 expenditures. Contributions subject to the notification requirements of this
44 section shall be included in the next report filed pursuant to section
45 16-913.

1 D. IN ADDITION TO THE REQUIREMENTS PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 16-913, A
2 COMMITTEE ACTING IN SUPPORT OF OR OPPOSITION TO THE QUALIFICATION, PASSAGE OR
3 DEFEAT OF AN INITIATIVE OR REFERENDUM OR ANY OTHER STATEWIDE BALLOT MEASURE,
4 QUESTION OR PROPOSITION SHALL INCLUDE IN ITS EXPENDITURE REPORTING THE NAME
5 AND ADDRESS OF THE VENDOR WHO RECEIVED THE EXPENDITURES, THE STATE OR OTHER
6 JURISDICTION IN WHICH THE VENDOR IS ORGANIZED OR INCORPORATED AND THE NAME
7 AND TITLE OF THE PERSON WHO HAS LEGAL AUTHORITY TO OPERATE THE BUSINESS OF
8 THE VENDOR. THIS INFORMATION SHALL BE INCLUDED IN ALL REPORTS IN WHICH
9 EXPENDITURES ARE REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED.

10 ~~D.~~ E. A political committee that violates this section and a person
11 who knowingly violates this section are liable in a civil action for a civil
12 penalty of up to three times the amount improperly reported as prescribed by
13 section 16-924.

14 ~~E.~~ F. For the purposes of this section, "single source" includes
15 principals of the same partnership, corporation, limited partnership, limited
16 liability company, limited liability partnership or association.