

SENATE BILL No. 183

By Committee on Federal and State Affairs

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1 AN ACT concerning elections; relating to campaign finance; terminating a
2 campaign; requiring disposition of equipment or personal property;
3 amending K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 25-4157a and repealing the existing
4 section.

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6 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

7 Section 1. K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 25-4157a is hereby amended to read as
8 follows: 25-4157a. (a) No moneys received by any candidate or candidate
9 committee of any candidate as a contribution under this act shall be used
10 or be made available for the personal use of the candidate and no such
11 moneys shall be used by such candidate or the candidate committee of
12 such candidate except for:

- 13 (1) Legitimate campaign purposes;
14 (2) expenses of holding political office;
15 (3) contributions to the party committees of the political party of
16 which such candidate is a member;
17 (4) any membership dues related to the candidate's campaign paid to
18 a community service or civic organization in the name of the candidate;
19 (5) any donations paid to any organization which is recognized as a
20 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization or any religious organization,
21 community service or civic organization in the name of the candidate or
22 candidate committee of any candidate but only if the candidate receives no
23 goods or services unrelated to the candidate's campaign as a result of the
24 payment of such donations;
25 (6) expenses incurred in the purchase of tickets to meals and special
26 events sponsored by any organization the major purpose of which is to
27 promote or facilitate the social, business, commercial or economic well
28 being of the local community; or
29 (7) expenses incurred in the purchase and mailing of greeting cards to
30 voters and constituents.

31 For the purpose of this subsection, expenditures for "personal use" shall
32 include expenditures to defray normal living expenses for the candidate or
33 the candidate's family and expenditures for the personal benefit of the
34 candidate having no direct connection with or effect upon the campaign of
35 the candidate or the holding of public office.

36 (b) No moneys received by any candidate or candidate committee of

1 any candidate as a contribution shall be used to pay interest or any other
2 finance charges upon moneys loaned to the campaign by such candidate or
3 the spouse of such candidate.

4 (c) No candidate or candidate committee shall accept from any other
5 candidate or candidate committee for any candidate for local, state or
6 national office, any moneys received by such candidate or candidate
7 committee as a campaign contribution. The provisions of this subsection
8 shall not be construed to prohibit a candidate or candidate committee from
9 accepting moneys from another candidate or candidate committee if such
10 moneys constitute a reimbursement for one candidate's proportional share
11 of the cost of any campaign activity participated in by both candidates
12 involved. Such reimbursement shall not exceed an amount equal to the
13 proportional share of the cost directly benefiting and attributable to the
14 personal campaign of the candidate making such reimbursement.

15 (d) At the time of the termination of any campaign and prior to the
16 filing of a termination report in accordance with K.S.A. 25-4157, and
17 amendments thereto;

18 (1) All residual funds otherwise not obligated for the payment of
19 expenses incurred in such campaign or the holding of office shall be
20 contributed to a charitable organization, as defined by the laws of the state,
21 contributed to a party committee or returned as a refund in whole or in part
22 to any contributor or contributors from whom received or paid into the
23 general fund of the state; and

24 (2) *any equipment or other personal property purchased for*
25 *campaign purposes shall be sold or purchased by the candidate for the*
26 *fair market value of the equipment or other personal property, and the*
27 *proceeds shall be disposed of as provided in subsection (d)(1).*

28 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 25-4157a is hereby repealed.

29 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
30 publication in the statute book.