HOUSE BILL No. 2182

By Committee on Elections

AN ACT concerning campaign finance; dealing with contributions; amending K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 25-4153a and repealing the existing section.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 25-4153a is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-4153a. (a) No registered lobbyist, political committee or person, other than an individual, shall make a contribution after January 1 of each year and prior to adjournment sine die of the regular session of the legislature or at any other time in which the legislature is in session to a:

(1) Legislator;
(2) candidate for membership in the legislature;
(3) state officer elected on a statewide basis;
(4) candidate for state officer elected on a statewide basis; or
(5) candidate committee of persons described in paragraphs (1) through (4); or

(6) political committee established by a state committee of any political party and designated as a recognized political committee for the senate or house of representatives.

(b) No legislator, officer, candidate or committee described in paragraphs (1) through (6) of subsection (a)(1) through (a)(5) shall accept or knowingly solicit any contribution as defined by K.S.A. 25-4143, and amendments thereto, from any registered lobbyist, political committee or person, other than an individual, during such period of time described in subsection (a), except that a general public solicitation which does not solicit a specific individual and is distributed via social media shall be permissible.

(c) Subsection (b) shall not apply to acceptance or solicitations of contributions on behalf of a political committee established by a state committee of any political party and designated as a recognized political committee for the senate or house of representatives.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 25-4153a is hereby repealed.

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