HOUSE BILL No. 2407

By Committee on Elections and Governmental Organization

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AN ACT concerning campaign finance; amending K.S.A. 25-4148 and 25-4150 and repealing the existing sections.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 25-4148 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-4148. (a) Every treasurer shall file a report prescribed by this section. Reports filed by treasurers for candidates for state office, other than officers elected on a state-wide basis, shall be filed in both the office of the secretary of state and in the office of the county election officer of the county in which the candidate is a resident. Reports filed by treasurers for candidates for state-wide office shall be filed only with the secretary of state. Reports filed by treasurers for candidates for local office shall be filed in the office of the county election officer of the county in which the name of the candidate is on the ballot. Except as otherwise provided by subsection (h), all such reports shall be filed in time to be received in the offices required on or before each of the following days:

- (1) The eighth day preceding the primary election, which report shall be for the period beginning on January 1 of the election year for the office the candidate is seeking and ending 12 days before the primary election, inclusive;
- (2) the eighth day preceding a general election, which report shall be for the period beginning 11 days before the primary election and ending 12 days before the general election, inclusive;
- (3) January 10 of the year after an election year, which report shall be for the period beginning 11 days before the general election and ending on December 31, inclusive;
- (4) for any calendar year when no election is held, a report shall be filed on the next January 10 for the preceding calendar year;
- (5) a treasurer shall file only the annual report required by subsection (4) for those years when the candidate is not participating in a primary or general election.
 - (b) Each report required by this section shall state:
 - (1) Cash on hand on the first day of the reporting period;
- (2) the name and address of each person who has made one or more contributions in an aggregate amount or value in excess of \$50 during the

election period together with the amount and date of such contributions, including the name and address of every lender, guarantor and endorser when a contribution is in the form of an advance or loan;

- (3) the aggregate amount of all proceeds from bona fide sales of political materials such as, but not limited to, political campaign pins, buttons, badges, flags, emblems, hats, banners and literature;
- (4) the aggregate amount of contributions for which the name and address of the contributor is not known;
- 9 (5) each contribution, rebate, refund or other receipt not otherwise 10 listed;
 - (6) the total of all receipts;
 - (7) the name and address of each person to whom expenditures have been made in an aggregate amount or value in excess of \$50, with the amount, date, and purpose of each; the names and addresses of all persons to whom any loan or advance has been made; when an expenditure is made by payment to an advertising agency, public relations firm or political consultants for disbursement to vendors, the report of such expenditure shall show in detail the name of each such vendor and the amount, date and purpose of the payments to each;
 - (8) the name and address of each person from whom an in-kind contribution was received or who has paid for personal services provided without charge to or for any candidate, candidate committee, party committee or political committee, if the contribution is in excess of \$50 and is not otherwise reported under subsection (b)(7), and the amount, date and purpose of the contribution; in kind contributions include the fair market value of the item or service or the difference between the fair market value and the actual amount charged for such item or service;
 - (9) the aggregate of all expenditures not otherwise reported under this section; and
 - (10) the total of expenditures.
 - (c) Treasurers of candidates and of candidate committees shall be required to itemize, as provided in subsection (b)(2), only the purchase of tickets or admissions to testimonial events by a person who purchases such tickets or admissions in an aggregate amount or value in excess of \$50 per event, or who purchases such a ticket or admission at a cost exceeding \$25 per ticket or admission. All other purchases of tickets or admissions to testimonial events shall be reported in an aggregate amount and shall not be subject to the limitations specified in K.S.A. 25-4154, and amendments thereto.
 - (d) If a contribution or other receipt from a political committee is required to be reported under subsection (b), the report shall include the full name of the organization with which the political committee is connected or affiliated or, name or description sufficiently describing the

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affiliation or, if the committee is not connected or affiliated with any one organization, the trade, profession or primary interest of the political committee as reflected by the statement of purpose of such organization.

- (e) The commission may require any treasurer to file an amended report for any period for which the original report filed by such treasurer contains material errors or omissions, and notice of the errors or omissions shall be part of the public record. The amended report shall be filed within 30 days after notice by the commission.
- (f) The commission may require any treasurer to file a report for any period for which the required report is not on file, and notice of the failure to file shall be part of the public record. Such report shall be filed within five days after notice by the commission.
- (g) For the purpose of any report required to be filed pursuant to subsection (a) by the treasurer of any candidate seeking nomination by convention or caucus or by the treasurer of the candidate's committee or by the treasurer of any party committee or political committee, the date of the convention or caucus shall be considered the date of the primary election.
- (h) If a report is sent by certified or registered mail on or before the day it is due, the mailing shall constitute receipt by that office.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 25-4150 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-4150. Every person, other than a candidate or a candidate committee, party committee or political committee, who makes contributions or expenditures, including in-kind contributions, other than by contribution to a candidate or a candidate committee, party committee or political committee, in an aggregate amount of \$100 or more within a calendar year shall make statements containing the information required by K.S.A. 25-4148, and amendments thereto. Such statements shall be filed in the office or offices required so that each such statement is in such office or offices on the day specified in K.S.A. 25-4148, and amendments thereto. If such contributions are received or expenditures are made to expressly advocate the nomination, election or defeat of a clearly identified candidate for state office, other than that of an officer elected on a state-wide basis such statement shall be filed in both the office of the secretary of state and in the office of the county election officer of the county in which the candidate is a resident. If such contributions are received or expenditures are made to expressly advocate the nomination, election or defeat of a clearly identified candidate for state-wide office such statement shall be filed only in the office of the secretary of state. If such contributions or expenditures are made to expressly advocate the nomination, election or defeat of a clearly identified candidate for local office such statement shall be filed in the office of the county election officer of the county in which the name of the candidate is on the ballot. Reports made under

- this section need not be cumulative.
- Sec. 3. K.S.A. 25-4148 and 25-4150 are hereby repealed.Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
- publication in the statute book.