

Senate Amendment 3382

Amendment Text

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1 1 Amend [Senate File 470](#) as follows:
1 2 #1. Page 8, by inserting after line 19 the
1 3 following:
1 4 "Sec. ____ NEW SECTION. 56.14A FALSE INFORMATION
1 5 IN POLITICAL MATERIAL.
1 6 1. A person shall not be a sponsor of any
1 7 published material on behalf of or in opposition to
1 8 any candidate or ballot issue that contains any
1 9 assertion, representation, or statement of fact,
1 10 including, but not limited to, information concerning
1 11 a candidate's prior public record, which the sponsor
1 12 knows to be untrue, deceptive, or misleading.
1 13 2. For purposes of this section, "published
1 14 material" means statements or graphic representations
1 15 made through any public medium which includes, but is
1 16 not limited to, any of the following:
1 17 a. Electronic media such as live or prerecorded
1 18 radio or television broadcasts, broadcasts or
1 19 transmissions through other publicly available
1 20 electronic communications, and video or audio tape
1 21 recordings which are publicly distributed.
1 22 b. Print media, such as newspapers, pamphlets,
1 23 folders, display cards, signs, posters, or billboard
1 24 advertisements.
1 25 c. Any other methods or mediums designed for
1 26 publicly advertising or publishing information.
1 27 3. For purposes of this section, "sponsor" means a
1 28 person who pays for or approves published material and
1 29 shall include a candidate or committee which knows and
1 30 approves of an independent expenditure made by another
1 31 person under section 56.13."
1 32 #2. Page 12, by inserting after line 17 the
1 33 following:
1 34 "Sec. 101. CAMPAIGN FINANCE COMMISSION. A
1 35 campaign finance commission is established to study
1 36 campaign finance disclosure and related laws and to
1 37 recommend reforms in these laws, according to the
1 38 following:
1 39 1. APPOINTMENT. The commission shall be composed
1 40 of six members, bipartisan and gender-balanced in
1 41 accordance with sections 69.16 and 69.16A, and
1 42 appointed as follows:
1 43 a. Two members shall be the state chairs of each
1 44 of the political parties, as defined in section 43.2,
1 45 or their designees.
1 46 b. Four members shall be jointly appointed by the
1 47 majority and minority leaders of the senate and house.
1 48 These members shall be appointed from nonpartisan
1 49 organizations which have researched, studied, and
1 50 advocated the issue of political campaign finance
2 1 reform for fifteen years or more, or who are specially
2 2 qualified to serve on the commission because of
2 3 training or experience.
2 4 c. The commission shall elect a chair and vice
2 5 chair at its first meetings.
2 6 2. TERMS. The members of the commission shall
2 7 serve for the life of the commission.

2 8 3. VACANCIES. A vacancy in the commission shall
2 9 be filled in the manner in which the original
2 10 appointment was made.

2 11 Sec. 102. POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE COMMISSION.

2 12 1. HEARINGS. The commission may hold hearings
2 13 which shall be open and announced in advance to the
2 14 public, take testimony, and receive evidence as the
2 15 commission considers appropriate. Activities of the
2 16 commission shall be held in accordance with chapter
2 17 21.

2 18 The commission shall hold at least one hearing in
2 19 each congressional district within the state
2 20 specifically to obtain public input on the issue of
2 21 campaign finance reform.

2 22 2. QUORUM. Four members of the commission shall
2 23 constitute a quorum, but a lesser number may hold
2 24 hearings.

2 25 3. REPORT. Not later than December 15, 1999, the
2 26 commission shall submit to the general assembly a
2 27 report of the activities of the commission, together
2 28 with a draft of legislation recommended by the
2 29 commission to reform the campaign finance disclosure
2 30 and related laws for consideration by the general
2 31 assembly in the year 2000 according to the provisions
2 32 of this Act.

2 33 4. MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED. In holding hearings
2 34 and preparing the report required under subsection 3,
2 35 the commission shall consider all issues related to
2 36 the reform of campaign finance disclosure and related
2 37 laws. The commission may secure directly from any
2 38 department or agency such information as the
2 39 commission considers necessary, and the department or
2 40 agency shall promptly furnish such information to the
2 41 commission.

2 42 5. STAFFING. Assistance shall be provided to the
2 43 commission by the central nonpartisan legislative
2 44 staff bureaus. The commission may utilize the
2 45 services of the legislative service bureau in
2 46 formulating a draft of legislation. The attorney
2 47 general's office and the ethics and campaign
2 48 disclosure board shall serve as consultants, and
2 49 advise the commission as necessary.

2 50 Sec. 103. ASSIGNMENT OF LEGISLATION. The
3 1 legislation drafted by the commission shall be filed
3 2 with each chamber on the first day of the legislative
3 3 session beginning in the year 2000, and immediately
3 4 assigned to the committee on state government in each
3 5 chamber.

3 6 Sec. 104. TERMINATION. The commission shall cease
3 7 to exist one month after the submission of its report
3 8 under section 102 of this Act."

3 9 #3. Title page, line 1, by inserting after the
3 10 word "disclosure" the following: "and advertisement,
3 11 including the study of campaign finance disclosure and
3 12 related laws,".

3 13 #4. Title page, line 4, by inserting after the
3 14 word "fees," the following: "establishing a
3 15 commission to study campaign finance disclosure and
3 16 related laws, prohibiting false or misleading
3 17 information in political advertisements,".

3 18 #5. By renumbering as necessary.

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3 22 COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT

3 23 SHELDON RITTNER, Chairperson

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