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A BILL FOR

1 An Act prohibiting the usage of certain political committee
2 funds in nonpartisan elections and making penalties
3 applicable.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 68A.507 Expenditure of funds in
2 nonpartisan local elections — prohibited.

3 1. A county statutory political committee, national
4 political party, or state statutory political committee shall
5 not make an expenditure in support of or in opposition to a
6 candidate in a county, city, or school board election that is
7 conducted on a nonpartisan basis.

8 2. A county statutory political committee, national
9 political party, or state statutory political committee shall
10 not make a contribution to a candidate in a county, city, or
11 school board election that is conducted on a nonpartisan basis.

12 EXPLANATION

13 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
14 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

15 This bill prohibits a county statutory political committee,
16 national political party, or state statutory political
17 committee from making an expenditure for or contribution to a
18 candidate running for a county, city, or school board office
19 that is selected by a nonpartisan election. By operation of
20 law, a person who willfully violates a provision of the bill
21 is guilty of a serious misdemeanor. A serious misdemeanor is
22 punishable by confinement for no more than one year and a fine
23 of at least \$315 but not more than \$1,875.