

ARIZONA STATE SENATE

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AMENDED FACT SHEET FOR S.B. 1048

campaign finance; reporting threshold; lobbyists

Purpose

Increases, from \$100 to \$200, the aggregate amount of contributions from an in-state individual that a committee campaign finance report must include. Requires contributions from individuals registered as a lobbyist for compensation to be included in a committee campaign finance report.

Background

A person who is listed as a lobbyist for compensation, designated lobbyist or designated public lobbyist must file a lobbyist registration form with the Secretary of State (A.R.S. § 41-1232.05). A candidate committee, political action committee or political party must file campaign finance reports. A campaign finance report for the reporting period must include: 1) the initial amount of cash on hand; 2) total receipts; 3) an itemized list of disbursements exceeding \$250 in statutorily outlined categories; 4) the sum of all receipts and disbursements; and 5) a certification by the committee treasurer that the contents of the report are true and correct. The total receipts for the reporting period must include contributions from in-state individuals that exceed \$100 for the election cycle (A.R.S. § 16-926). A contribution includes any money, advance, deposit or any other thing of value that is made to a person for the purpose of influencing an election (A.R.S. § 16-901).

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the state General Fund associated with this legislation.

Provisions

- 1. Increases, from \$100 to \$200, the aggregate amount of contributions from an in-state individual that a committee finance report must include.
- 2. Requires a candidate committee, political action committee or political party to include, in a campaign finance report, contributions from individuals registered as:
 - a) an authorized lobbyist;
 - b) an authorized public lobbyist;
 - c) a designated lobbyist;
 - d) a designated public lobbyist; or
 - e) a lobbyist for compensation.
- 3. Requires individuals registered as a lobbyist to disclose the individual's lobbyist registration category and the identification or serial number in the lobbyist reporting system to the committee receiving the contributions.

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- 4. Makes technical and conforming changes.
- 5. Becomes effective on the general effective date.

Amendments Adopted by Committee

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Senate Action

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