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HOUSE BILL 12-1269

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A BILL FOR AN ACT CONCERNING THE THRESHOLD AMOUNT OF CAMPAIGN ACTIVITY BY A CANDIDATE COMMITTEE IN CONNECTION WITH A SPECIAL DISTRICT ELECTION THAT TRIGGERS DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS UNDER THE "FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT".

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries.)

Under current law, a candidate committee in a special district election is not required to file disclosure reports under the "Fair

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HOUSE 2nd Reading Unam ended February 28, 2012 Campaign Practices Act" until the committee has received contributions or made expenditures exceeding \$20. The bill increases this threshold amount to \$200 and further clarifies that the relevant time for gauging the amount of contributions received or expenditures made is during the election cycle.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:* 2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 1-45-108, amend (1) 3 (c) as follows: 4 **1-45-108. Disclosure - definition.** (1) (c) A candidate committee 5 in a special district election shall IS not be required to file reports under 6 this section until the committee has received contributions or made 7 expenditures exceeding twenty TWO HUNDRED dollars in the aggregate 8 DURING THE ELECTION CYCLE. 9 **SECTION 2. Applicability.** The provisions of this act apply to 10 the portion of any election cycle or for the portion of the calendar year 11 remaining after the effective date of this act and for any election cycle or 12 calendar year commencing after such effective date, whichever is 13 applicable. 14 **SECTION 3.** Act subject to petition - effective date. This act 15 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the 16 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August 17 8, 2012, if adjournment sine die is on May 9, 2012); except that, if a 18 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the 19 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act 20 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect 21 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in

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- 1 November 2012 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
- 2 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

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