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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to campaign finance and financial disclosure; amending 11 O.S. 2021, Section 56-101, 56-102, 56-104, 56-105, 56-106, 56-107, 56-108, 56-109, and 56-110, which relate to the Municipal Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act; clarifying citation; modifying definition; requiring campaign committees file statement of organization with the Ethics Commission; requiring municipal political committees file statement of organization with the Ethics Commission; mandating reports of certain municipal contributions and expenditures be filed with Ethics Commission; clarifying that certain required records under the Municipal Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act will be filed and stored with the Ethics Commission; extending ability of the Ethics Commission to post copies of certain records on website for public records purposes; amending 19 O.S. 2021, Section 138.11, 138.12, 138.13, 138.14, 138.15, 138.16, 138.17, 138.18, and 138.19, which relate to the County Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act; clarifying citation; modifying definition; requiring campaign committees file statement of organization with the Ethics Commission; requiring county political committees file statement of organization with the Ethics Commission; mandating reports of certain county contributions and expenditures be filed with Ethics Commission; clarifying that certain required records under the County Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act are will be filed and stored with the Ethics Commission; clarifying statements of financial interests required by the County Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act will be filed and stored with the Ethics Commission; amending 70 O.S. 2021, Section 2-110, 2-111, 2-113, 2-114, 2-115, 2-116, 2-

1 117, 2-118, and 2-119, which relate to the Technology  
2 Center District and Independent School District  
3 Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act;  
4 modifying definition; requiring campaign committees  
5 file statement of organization with the Ethics  
6 Commission; requiring school district political  
7 committees file statement of organization with the  
8 Ethics Commission; mandating reports of contributions  
9 and expenditures by campaign committees and school  
10 district political committees be filed with Ethics  
11 Commission; clarifying that certain required records  
12 under the Technology Center District and Independent  
13 School District Campaign Finance and Financial  
14 Disclosure Act will be filed and stored with the  
15 Ethics Commission; clarifying statements of financial  
16 interests required by the Technology Center District  
17 and Independent School District Campaign Finance and  
18 Financial Disclosure Act will be filed and stored  
19 with the Ethics Commission; providing an effective  
20 date; and declaring an emergency.

21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

22 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 11 O.S. 2021, Section 56-101, is  
23 amended to read as follows:

24 Section 56-101. Sections ~~11 through 20~~ 56-101 through 56-110 of  
this ~~act~~ title shall be the provisions of the Local Government  
Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act applicable to  
municipalities and shall be known as the "Municipal Campaign Finance  
and Financial Disclosure Act".

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 11 O.S. 2021, Section 56-102, is  
amended to read as follows:

Section 56-102. A. Definitions of terms used in the Municipal  
Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act shall be the same as

1 those terms are defined in Rules of the Ethics Commission  
2 promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma  
3 Constitution, unless otherwise provided herein.

4 B. As used in the Municipal Campaign Finance and Financial  
5 Disclosure Act:

6 1. "Campaign committee" means a committee which may be composed  
7 of one or more persons the purpose of which is to support the  
8 election of a specific candidate to municipal office, whose name as  
9 it will appear on the ballot shall appear in the name of the  
10 committee;

11 2. "Municipal office" means any elective municipal office  
12 established under state or municipal law; and

13 3. "Municipal political committee" means any committee composed  
14 of one or more persons whose purpose includes the election or defeat  
15 of one or more candidates for municipal office but which is not  
16 required to register with ~~the Ethics Commission~~ or the Federal  
17 Election Commission.

18 SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 11 O.S. 2021, Section 56-104, is  
19 amended to read as follows:

20 Section 56-104. Each campaign committee shall file a statement  
21 of organization with the ~~municipal clerk~~ Ethics Commission subject  
22 to the same requirements as set forth for candidate committees for  
23 state office required to file statements of organization ~~with the~~  
24 ~~Ethics Commission~~ under Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated

1 pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution,  
2 including but not limited to time for filing and contents.

3 SECTION 4. AMENDATORY 11 O.S. 2021, Section 56-105, is  
4 amended to read as follows:

5 Section 56-105. Every municipal political committee shall file  
6 a statement of organization with the ~~municipal clerk~~ Ethics  
7 Commission subject to the same requirements as set forth for  
8 political committees required to file statements of organization  
9 ~~with the Ethics Commission~~ under Rules of the Ethics Commission  
10 promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma  
11 Constitution, including but not limited to time for filing and  
12 contents.

13 SECTION 5. AMENDATORY 11 O.S. 2021, Section 56-106, is  
14 amended to read as follows:

15 Section 56-106. Every campaign committee and every municipal  
16 political committee shall file a report of contributions and  
17 expenditures with the ~~municipal clerk~~ Ethics Commission subject to  
18 the same requirements as set forth for candidate committees and  
19 political action committees, respectively, required to file reports  
20 of contributions and expenditures ~~with the Ethics Commission~~ under  
21 Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of  
22 Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution, including but not limited  
23 to time for filing and contents.

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1 SECTION 6. AMENDATORY 11 O.S. 2021, Section 56-107, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 Section 56-107. Statements of organization and reports of  
4 contributions and expenditures required to be filed with the  
5 ~~municipal clerk~~ Ethics Commission under the Municipal Campaign  
6 Finance and Financial Disclosure Act shall be public records. The  
7 ~~municipal clerk~~ Ethics Commission shall maintain statements of  
8 organization and reports of contributions and expenditures for four  
9 (4) years after the date on which they are filed, if not posted on  
10 the ~~municipality's~~ Ethics Commission's website as provided herein,  
11 at which time the documents may be destroyed or retained subject to  
12 the discretion of the ~~municipal clerk~~ Ethics Commission. ~~If the~~  
13 ~~municipality in which the statements of organization and reports of~~  
14 ~~contributions and expenditures are filed maintains an Internet~~  
15 ~~website, the municipal clerk~~ The Ethics Commission may post on the  
16 website copies of statements of organization and reports of  
17 contributions and expenditures.

18 SECTION 7. AMENDATORY 11 O.S. 2021, Section 56-108, is  
19 amended to read as follows:

20 Section 56-108. All candidates for municipal office and all  
21 elected municipal officers shall be required to file a statement of  
22 financial interests with the ~~municipal clerk~~ Ethics Commission  
23 subject to the same requirements as set forth for candidates for  
24 state office required to file statements of financial interests with

1 ~~the Ethics Commission~~ under Rules of the Ethics Commission  
2 promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma  
3 Constitution, including but not limited to time for filing and  
4 contents.

5 SECTION 8. AMENDATORY 11 O.S. 2021, Section 56-109, is  
6 amended to read as follows:

7 Section 56-109. Statements of financial interests required to  
8 be filed with the ~~municipal clerk~~ Ethics Commission under the  
9 Municipal Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act shall be  
10 public records. The ~~municipal clerk~~ Ethics Commission shall  
11 maintain statements of financial interests for four (4) years after  
12 the date on which they are filed, if not posted on the  
13 ~~municipality's~~ Ethics Commission's website as provided herein, at  
14 which time the documents may be destroyed or retained subject to the  
15 discretion of the ~~municipal clerk~~ Ethics Commission. ~~If the~~  
16 ~~municipality in which the statements of financial interests are~~  
17 ~~filed maintains an Internet website, the municipal clerk~~ The Ethics  
18 Commission may post on the website copies of statements of financial  
19 interests.

20 SECTION 9. AMENDATORY 11 O.S. 2021, Section 56-110, is  
21 amended to read as follows:

22 Section 56-110. The Municipal Campaign Finance and Financial  
23 Disclosure Act shall be enforced by the Ethics Commission in the  
24 same manner as Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant

1 to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution are  
2 enforced, including but not limited to acceptance of complaints,  
3 civil prosecutions, settlement agreements and any other compliance  
4 practices or requirements. ~~Complaints may be received by the Ethics~~  
5 ~~Commission alleging filing of statements or reports required to be~~  
6 ~~filed under the Municipal Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure~~  
7 ~~Act later than the prescribed time for filing. Such complaints~~  
8 Complaints shall be ~~in the same form as other complaints made~~  
9 according to the Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant  
10 to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution. Upon  
11 receipt of such complaints of late filing, the Ethics Commission  
12 shall investigate whether the allegation or allegations are true  
13 and, if so, shall assess a late filing penalty of One Hundred  
14 Dollars (\$100.00) per day, not to exceed a maximum of One Thousand  
15 Dollars (\$1,000.00) for the filing of any statement or report. If  
16 the Ethics Commission determines the allegation or allegations are  
17 not true, it shall take no further action. Persons assessed a late  
18 filing fee may protest the assessment subject to provisions of the  
19 Administrative Procedures Act.

20 SECTION 10. AMENDATORY 19 O.S. 2021, Section 138.11, is  
21 amended to read as follows:

22 Section 138.11. Sections ~~2 through 10~~ 138.12 through 138.19 of  
23 this ~~act~~ title shall be the provisions of the Local Government  
24 Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act applicable to counties

1 and shall be known as the "County Campaign Finance and Financial  
2 Disclosure Act".

3 SECTION 11. AMENDATORY 19 O.S. 2021, Section 138.12, is  
4 amended to read as follows:

5 Section 138.12. A. Definitions of terms used in the County  
6 Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act shall be the same as  
7 those terms are defined in Rules of the Ethics Commission  
8 promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma  
9 Constitution, unless otherwise provided herein.

10 B. As used in the County Campaign Finance and Financial  
11 Disclosure Act:

12 1. "Campaign committee" means a committee which may be composed  
13 of one or more persons the purpose of which is to support the  
14 election of a specific candidate to county office, whose name as it  
15 will appear on the ballot shall appear in the name of the committee;

16 2. "County office" means any elective county office for which  
17 Declarations of Candidacy are filed with the secretary of the county  
18 election board as required by Section 5-103 of Title 26 of the  
19 Oklahoma Statutes; and

20 3. "County political committee" means any committee composed of  
21 one or more persons whose purpose includes the election or defeat of  
22 one or more candidates for county office but which is not required  
23 to register with ~~the Ethics Commission or~~ the Federal Election  
24 Commission.



1 SECTION 12. AMENDATORY 19 O.S. 2021, Section 138.13, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 Section 138.13. Each campaign committee shall file a ~~notarized~~  
4 statement of organization with the ~~county election board~~ Ethics  
5 Commission subject to the same requirements as set forth for  
6 candidate committees for state office to file statements of  
7 organization ~~with the Ethics Commission~~ under Rules of the Ethics  
8 Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the  
9 Oklahoma Constitution, including but not limited to time for filing  
10 and contents, except as otherwise provided in the County Campaign  
11 Finance and Financial Disclosure Act. ~~The statement of organization~~  
12 ~~shall be accompanied by a check drawn upon the campaign committee's~~  
13 ~~account in the amount of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) as a nonrefundable~~  
14 ~~processing fee to be deposited in the County Election Board Special~~  
15 ~~Depository Account. Expenditures from such fees may be made by the~~  
16 ~~secretary of the county election board for any lawful purpose.~~

17 SECTION 13. AMENDATORY 19 O.S. 2021, Section 138.14, is  
18 amended to read as follows:

19 Section 138.14. Every county political committee shall file a  
20 notarized statement of organization with the ~~county election board~~  
21 Ethics Commission subject to the same requirements as set forth for  
22 political committees required to file statements of organization  
23 ~~with the Ethics Commission~~ under Rules of the Ethics Commission  
24 promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma

1 Constitution, including but not limited to time for filing and  
2 contents.

3 SECTION 14. AMENDATORY 19 O.S. 2021, Section 138.15, is  
4 amended to read as follows:

5 Section 138.15. Every campaign committee and every county  
6 political committee shall file reports of contributions and  
7 expenditures with the ~~county election board~~ Ethics Commission  
8 subject to the same requirements as set forth for reports of  
9 contributions and expenditures filed ~~with the Ethics Commission~~  
10 under Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant to Section  
11 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution, including but not  
12 limited to time for filing and contents.

13 SECTION 15. AMENDATORY 19 O.S. 2021, Section 138.16, is  
14 amended to read as follows:

15 Section 138.16. Statements of organization and reports of  
16 contributions and expenditures required under the County Campaign  
17 Finance and Financial Disclosure Act shall be public records. The  
18 ~~county election board~~ Ethics Commission shall maintain statements of  
19 organization and reports of contributions and expenditures for four  
20 (4) years after the date on which they are filed or prepared, if not  
21 posted on the county's website as provided herein, at which time the  
22 documents may be destroyed or retained at the discretion of the  
23 ~~county election board~~ Ethics Commission. ~~If the county in which the~~  
24 ~~statements of organization are filed maintains an Internet website,~~

1 ~~the county election board~~ The Ethics Commission may post on the  
2 website copies of statements of organization and reports of  
3 contributions and expenditures.

4 SECTION 16. AMENDATORY 19 O.S. 2021, Section 138.17, is  
5 amended to read as follows:

6 Section 138.17. All candidates for county office and all  
7 elected county officers shall be required to file a ~~notarized~~  
8 statement of financial interests with the ~~county election board~~  
9 Ethics Commission subject to the same requirements as set forth for  
10 statements of financial interests filed ~~with the Ethics Commission~~  
11 under Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant to Section  
12 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution.

13 SECTION 17. AMENDATORY 19 O.S. 2021, Section 138.18, is  
14 amended to read as follows:

15 Section 138.18. Statements of financial interests required  
16 under the County Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act shall  
17 be public records. The ~~county election board~~ Ethics Commission  
18 shall maintain statements of financial interests for four (4) years  
19 after the date on which they are filed, at which time the documents  
20 may be destroyed or retained at the discretion of the ~~county~~  
21 ~~election board~~ Ethics Commission.

22 SECTION 18. AMENDATORY 19 O.S. 2021, Section 138.19, is  
23 amended to read as follows:

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1 Section 138.19. The County Campaign Finance and Financial  
2 Disclosure Act shall be enforced by the Ethics Commission in the  
3 same manner as Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant  
4 to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution are  
5 enforced, including but not limited to acceptance of complaints,  
6 civil prosecutions, settlement agreements and any other compliance  
7 practices or requirements. ~~Complaints may be received by the Ethics~~  
8 ~~Commission alleging filing of statements required to be filed under~~  
9 ~~the County Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act later than~~  
10 ~~the prescribed time for filing or failure to produce reports~~  
11 ~~required to be available for public inspection and copying. Such~~  
12 ~~complaints shall be in the same form as other complaints made~~  
13 according to the Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant  
14 to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution. Upon  
15 receipt of such complaints, the Ethics Commission shall investigate  
16 whether the allegation or allegations are true and, if so, shall  
17 assess a late reporting penalty of up to One Hundred Dollars  
18 (\$100.00) per day, not to exceed a maximum of One Thousand Dollars  
19 (\$1,000.00) for the filing of any statement or report. If the  
20 Ethics Commission determines the allegation or allegations are not  
21 true, it shall take no further action. Persons assessed a late  
22 reporting penalty may protest the assessment subject to provisions  
23 of the Administrative Procedures Act.

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1 SECTION 19. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 2-110, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 Section 2-110. Sections ~~21 through 30~~ 2-110 through 2-119 of  
4 this ~~act~~ title shall be the provisions of the Local Government  
5 Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act applicable to  
6 technology center districts and independent school districts and  
7 shall be known as the "Technology Center District and Independent  
8 School District Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act".

9 SECTION 20. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 2-111, is  
10 amended to read as follows:

11 Section 2-111. A. Definitions of terms used in the Technology  
12 Center District and Independent School District Campaign Finance and  
13 Financial Disclosure Act shall be the same as those terms are  
14 defined in Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant to  
15 Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution, unless  
16 otherwise provided herein.

17 B. As used in the Technology Center District and Independent  
18 School District Campaign Finance and Disclosure Act:

19 1. "Campaign committee" means a committee which may be composed  
20 of one or more persons the purpose of which is to support the  
21 election of a specific candidate to school district office, whose  
22 name as it will appear on the ballot shall appear in the name of the  
23 committee;

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1        2. "School district" means a technology center district or an  
2 independent school district;

3        3. "School district office" means any elective school district  
4 office for which Declarations of Candidacy are filed with the  
5 secretary of the county election board as required by Section 13A-  
6 105 of Title 26 of the Oklahoma Statutes; and

7        4. "School district political committee" means any committee  
8 composed of one or more persons whose purpose includes the election  
9 or defeat of one or more candidates for school district office but  
10 which is not required to register with ~~the Ethics Commission or the~~  
11 Federal Election Commission.

12        SECTION 21.        AMENDATORY        70 O.S. 2021, Section 2-113, is  
13 amended to read as follows:

14        Section 2-113. Each campaign committee shall file a statement  
15 of organization with the ~~school district clerk~~ Ethics Commission  
16 subject to the same requirements as set forth for candidate  
17 committees for state office required to file statements of  
18 organization ~~with the Ethics Commission~~ under Rules of the Ethics  
19 Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the  
20 Oklahoma Constitution, including but not limited to time for filing  
21 and contents.

22        SECTION 22.        AMENDATORY        70 O.S. 2021, Section 2-114, is  
23 amended to read as follows:

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1 Section 2-114. Every school district political committee shall  
2 file a statement of organization with the ~~school district clerk~~  
3 Ethics Commission subject to the same requirements as set forth for  
4 political committees required to file statements of organization  
5 ~~with the Ethics Commission~~ under Rules of the Ethics Commission  
6 promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma  
7 Constitution, including but not limited to time for filing and  
8 contents.

9 SECTION 23. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 2-115, is  
10 amended to read as follows:

11 Section 2-115. Every campaign committee and every school  
12 district political committee shall file a report of contributions  
13 and expenditures with the ~~school district clerk~~ Ethics Commission  
14 subject to the same requirements as set forth for candidate  
15 committees and political action committees, respectively, required  
16 to file reports of contributions and expenditures ~~with the Ethics~~  
17 ~~Commission~~ under Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant  
18 to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution, including  
19 but not limited to time for filing and contents.

20 SECTION 24. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 2-116, is  
21 amended to read as follows:

22 Section 2-116. Statements of organization and reports of  
23 contributions and expenditures required to be filed with the ~~school~~  
24 ~~district clerk~~ Ethics Commission under the Technology Center

1 District and Independent School District Campaign Finance and  
2 Financial Disclosure Act shall be public records. The ~~school~~  
3 ~~district clerk~~ Ethics Commission shall maintain statements of  
4 organization and reports of contributions and expenditures for four  
5 (4) years after the date on which they are filed, if not posted on  
6 the school district's website as provided herein, at which time the  
7 documents may be destroyed or retained subject to the discretion of  
8 the ~~school district clerk~~ Ethics Commission. If the ~~school district~~  
9 ~~in which the statements of organization and reports of contributions~~  
10 ~~and expenditures are filed maintains an Internet website, the school~~  
11 ~~district clerk~~ The Ethics Commission may post on the website copies  
12 of statements of organization and reports of contributions and  
13 expenditures.

14 SECTION 25. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 2-117, is  
15 amended to read as follows:

16 Section 2-117. All candidates for school district office and  
17 all elected school district officers shall be required to file a  
18 statement of financial interests with the ~~school district clerk~~  
19 Ethics Commission subject to the same requirements as set forth for  
20 candidates for state office required to file statements of financial  
21 interests ~~with the Ethics Commission~~ under Rules of the Ethics  
22 Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the  
23 Oklahoma Constitution, including but not limited to time for filing  
24 and contents.



1 SECTION 26. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 2-118, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 Section 2-118. Statements of financial interests required to be  
4 filed with the ~~school district clerk~~ Ethics Commission under the  
5 Technology Center District and Independent School District Campaign  
6 Finance and Financial Disclosure Act shall be public records. The  
7 ~~school district clerk~~ Ethics Commission shall maintain statements of  
8 financial interests for four (4) years after the date on which they  
9 are filed, if not posted on the ~~school district's~~ Ethics  
10 Commission's website as provided herein, at which time the documents  
11 may be destroyed or retained subject to the discretion of the school  
12 district clerk. If the school district in which the statements of  
13 financial interests are filed maintains an Internet website, the  
14 school district clerk may post on the website copies of statements  
15 of financial interests.

16 SECTION 27. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 2-119, is  
17 amended to read as follows:

18 Section 2-119. The Technology Center District and Independent  
19 School District Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act shall  
20 be enforced by the Ethics Commission in the same manner as Rules of  
21 the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article  
22 XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution are enforced, including but not  
23 limited to acceptance of complaints, civil prosecutions, settlement  
24 agreements and any other compliance practices or requirements.

1 ~~Complaints may be received by the Ethics Commission alleging filing~~  
2 ~~of statements or reports required to be filed under the Technology~~  
3 ~~Center District and Independent School District Campaign Finance and~~  
4 ~~Disclosure Act later than the prescribed time for filing. Such~~  
5 ~~complaints~~ Complaints shall be in the same form as other complaints  
6 made according to the Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated  
7 pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution.

8 Upon receipt of such complaints of late filing, the Ethics  
9 Commission shall investigate whether the allegation or allegations  
10 are true and, if so, shall assess a late filing penalty of One  
11 Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per day, not to exceed a maximum of One  
12 Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for the filing of any statement or  
13 report. If the Ethics Commission determines the allegation or  
14 allegations are not true, it shall take no further action. Persons  
15 assessed a late filing fee may protest the assessment subject to  
16 provisions of the Administrative Procedures Act.

17 SECTION 28. This act shall become effective July 1, 2025.

18 SECTION 29. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
19 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby  
20 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
21 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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