

SENATE BILL 525

By Roberts

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 48,
Chapter 101, Part 5, relative to the regulation of
solicitations.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 48-101-502(a), is amended by
adding the following new subdivision:

(8)

(A) An organization that files with the secretary of state a written
statement, signed by an officer, director, or other responsible party of the
organization, that the organization is an advocacy organization.

(B) For purposes of this subdivision (a)(8), "advocacy organization"
means an organization that:

(i) Is exempt from federal income taxation under § 501(c)(4) of
the Internal Revenue Code (26 U.S.C. § 501(c)(4)); and

(ii)

(a) Contacts, or urges the public to contact,
members of a legislative or other government body for the
purpose of proposing, supporting, or opposing legislation,
executive orders, administrative rules, or other government action;

(b) Advocates for the adoption or rejection of
legislation, executive orders, administrative rules, or other
government action; or

(c) Employs lobbyists.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring
it.