HOUSE BILL REPORT

HB 2904

As Reported By House Committee On: State Government

Title: An act relating to campaign contributions.

Brief Description: Requiring occupation disclosure of certain candidate contributors.

Sponsors: Representative Anderson.

Brief History:

Reported by House Committee on: State Government, February 2, 1994, DP.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT

Majority Report: Do pass. Signed by 5 members: Representatives Anderson, Chair; Veloria, Vice Chair; Conway; King and Pruitt.

Minority Report: Do not pass. Signed by 3 members: Representatives L. Thomas, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Campbell and Dyer.

Staff: Kenneth Hirst (786-7105).

Background: Reports of contributions and expenditures which must be filed under the public disclosure law for political campaigns must identify the name and address of each person who contributes more than \$25 to the campaign.

Summary of Bill: Additional information regarding contributors must be provided in a candidate's campaign reports filed under the disclosure law. The reports must identify the occupation of each contributor who contributed more than \$100 during an election cycle, the name of the contributor's employer, and the name or the employer of the contributor's spouse. These requirements do not apply to reports of contributions made to a political committee the principal purpose of which is receiving contributions and making expenditures regarding one or more ballot measures. The Public Disclosure Commission is barred from requiring such information for other contributions, but may seek it from contributors when conducting audits.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Testimony For: None.

Testimony Against: None.

Witnesses: None.