

1 **SB 5460 - H AMD 493 ADOPTED 4-14-97**

2 By Representative D. Schmidt

3 On page 2, beginning on line 12, strike everything through line
4 12 on page 3, and insert the following:

5 "(2) (a) An association composed of local governments or local
6 government officials and financially supported by local governments may
7 not participate in any election.

8 (b) The association may (1) gather and disseminate objective and
9 factual information to members relating to a ballot measure; (2)
10 participate in the determination of a collective position on the ballot
11 measure; and (3) participate on a committee appointed to prepare
12 arguments to appear in the voter's pamphlet regarding the ballot
13 measure.

14 (c) Each association shall prepare and submit a full report to the
15 House Government Administration Committee and the Senate Government
16 Operations Committee no later than January 31 of each year through the
17 year 1999 certifying it did not participate in any election during the
18 previous year and providing full disclosure of any activities engaged
19 in by the association under subsection (2)(b) of this section during
20 the previous year."

EFFECT: Prohibits associations composed of local governments and funded by local governments from participating in any election. Allows such associations to provide factual information to their members regarding ballot measures, to participate in determining a collective position on ballot measures, and participate on a committee appointed to prepare arguments to appear in the voter's pamphlet regarding the ballot measure. Requires each association to submit a report to relevant legislative committees in January of each year through 1999 disclosing any such activities engaged in by the association during the previous year.