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1 AN ACT Relating to disclosure of employer and occupation
2 information by certain political campaign contributors; and amending
3 RCW 42.17.090.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 42.17.090 and 1993 c 256 s 6 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

7 (1) Each report required under RCW 42.17.080 (1) and (2) shall
8 disclose the following:

9 (a) The funds on hand at the beginning of the period;

10 (b) The name and address of each person who has made one or more
11 contributions during the period, (~~together with~~) the money value and
12 date of such contributions and the aggregate value of all contributions
13 received from each such person during the campaign or in the case of a
14 continuing political committee, the current calendar year, and in the
15 case of a person who has made one or more contributions in the
16 aggregate amount of one hundred dollars or more, the person's
17 occupation and the name and address of the person's employer:

18 PROVIDED, That pledges in the aggregate of less than one hundred
19 dollars from any one person need not be reported: PROVIDED FURTHER,

1 That the income which results from a fund-raising activity conducted in
2 accordance with RCW 42.17.067 may be reported as one lump sum, with the
3 exception of that portion of such income which was received from
4 persons whose names and addresses are required to be included in the
5 report required by RCW 42.17.067: PROVIDED FURTHER, That contributions
6 of no more than twenty-five dollars in the aggregate from any one
7 person during the election campaign may be reported as one lump sum so
8 long as the campaign treasurer maintains a separate and private list of
9 the name, address, and amount of each such contributor: PROVIDED
10 FURTHER, That the money value of contributions of postage shall be the
11 face value of such postage;

12 (c) Each loan, promissory note, or security instrument to be used
13 by or for the benefit of the candidate or political committee made by
14 any person, together with the names and addresses of the lender and
15 each person liable directly, indirectly or contingently and the date
16 and amount of each such loan, promissory note, or security instrument;

17 (d) All other contributions not otherwise listed or exempted;

18 (e) The name and address of each candidate or political committee
19 to which any transfer of funds was made, together with the amounts and
20 dates of such transfers;

21 (f) The name and address of each person to whom an expenditure was
22 made in the aggregate amount of more than fifty dollars during the
23 period covered by this report, and the amount, date, and purpose of
24 each such expenditure. A candidate for state executive or state
25 legislative office or the political committee of such a candidate shall
26 report this information for an expenditure under one of the following
27 categories, whichever is appropriate: (i) Expenditures for the
28 election of the candidate; (ii) expenditures for nonreimbursed public
29 office-related expenses; (iii) expenditures required to be reported
30 under (e) of this subsection; or (iv) expenditures of surplus funds and
31 other expenditures. The report of such a candidate or committee shall
32 contain a separate total of expenditures for each category and a total
33 sum of all expenditures. Other candidates and political committees
34 need not report information regarding expenditures under the categories
35 listed in (i) through (iv) of this subsection or under similar such
36 categories unless required to do so by the commission by rule. The
37 report of such an other candidate or committee shall also contain the
38 total sum of all expenditures;

1 (g) The name and address of each person to whom any expenditure was
2 made directly or indirectly to compensate the person for soliciting or
3 procuring signatures on an initiative or referendum petition, the
4 amount of such compensation to each such person, and the total of the
5 expenditures made for this purpose. Such expenditures shall be
6 reported under this subsection (1)(g) whether the expenditures are or
7 are not also required to be reported under (f) of this subsection;

8 (h) The name and address of any person and the amount owed for any
9 debt, obligation, note, unpaid loan, or other liability in the amount
10 of more than two hundred fifty dollars or in the amount of more than
11 fifty dollars that has been outstanding for over thirty days;

12 (i) The surplus or deficit of contributions over expenditures;

13 (j) The disposition made in accordance with RCW 42.17.095 of any
14 surplus funds;

15 (k) Such other information as shall be required by the commission
16 by rule in conformance with the policies and purposes of this chapter;
17 and

18 (l) Funds received from a political committee not otherwise
19 required to report under this chapter (a "nonreporting committee").
20 Such funds shall be forfeited to the state of Washington unless the
21 nonreporting committee has filed or within ten days following such
22 receipt files with the commission a statement disclosing: (i) Its name
23 and address; (ii) the purposes of the nonreporting committee; (iii) the
24 names, addresses, and titles of its officers or if it has no officers,
25 the names, addresses, and titles of its responsible leaders; (iv) the
26 name, office sought, and party affiliation of each candidate in the
27 state of Washington whom the nonreporting committee is supporting, and,
28 if such committee is supporting the entire ticket of any party, the
29 name of the party; (v) the ballot proposition supported or opposed in
30 the state of Washington, if any, and whether such committee is in favor
31 of or opposed to such proposition; (vi) the name and address of each
32 person residing in the state of Washington or corporation which has a
33 place of business in the state of Washington who has made one or more
34 contributions in the aggregate of more than twenty-five dollars to the
35 nonreporting committee during the current calendar year, together with
36 the money value and date of such contributions; (vii) the name and
37 address of each person in the state of Washington to whom an
38 expenditure was made by the nonreporting committee on behalf of a
39 candidate or political committee in the aggregate amount of more than

1 fifty dollars, the amount, date, and purpose of such expenditure, and
2 the total sum of such expenditures; (viii) such other information as
3 the commission may prescribe by rule, in keeping with the policies and
4 purposes of this chapter. A nonreporting committee incurring an
5 obligation to file additional reports in a calendar year may satisfy
6 the obligation by filing with the commission a letter providing
7 updating or amending information.

8 (2) The treasurer and the candidate shall certify the correctness
9 of each report.

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