

HOUSE BILL REPORT

HB 2285

As Passed House:
February 8, 2012

Title: An act relating to making technical corrections to campaign finance laws.

Brief Description: Making technical corrections to campaign finance laws.

Sponsors: Representatives Hunt and Appleton.

Brief History:

Committee Activity:

State Government & Tribal Affairs: 1/16/12 [DP].

Floor Activity:

Passed House: 2/8/12, 97-0.

Brief Summary of Bill

- Makes technical corrections to campaign finance law.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT & TRIBAL AFFAIRS

Majority Report: Do pass. Signed by 11 members: Representatives Hunt, Chair; Appleton, Vice Chair; Taylor, Ranking Minority Member; Overstreet, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Alexander, Condotta, Darneille, Dunshee, Hurst, McCoy and Miloscia.

Staff: Marsha Reilly (786-7135).

Background:

Three separate bills made changes to chapter 42.17A in 2010 and 2011, resulting in a double amendment relating to additional powers of the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) and a reenactment of an earlier law relating to identifying political committee depositories with the PDC and the appropriate county elections officer.

Summary of Bill:

This analysis was prepared by non-partisan legislative staff for the use of legislative members in their deliberations. This analysis is not a part of the legislation nor does it constitute a statement of legislative intent.

Changes are made to correct for a double amendment to chapter 42.17A relating to additional powers of the PDC. Political committees are not required to file with the appropriate county elections officer the name of the account or accounts maintained in a depository on behalf of that political committee.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of the session in which the bill is passed.

Staff Summary of Public Testimony:

(In support) The PDC was supportive and appreciative of the recodification work that was done and will continue to work to clear up any technical errors.

(Opposed) None.

Persons Testifying: Representative Hunt, prime sponsor; and Andrea McNamara Doyle, Public Disclosure Commission.

Persons Signed In To Testify But Not Testifying: None.