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INTRODUCTION**

HOUSE BILL NO. _____

Campaign finance reporting-electronic filing.

Sponsored by: Joint Corporations, Elections and Political
Subdivisions Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to campaign finance reporting; providing
2 for electronic filing of campaign finance reports;
3 specifying where reports shall be filed; providing for a
4 searchable database of reports; providing an appropriation;
5 and providing for an effective date.

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7 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 22-25-105, 22-25-107(a)(iv), (b),
10 (c)(i) and by creating a new subsection (e) and 22-25-109
11 are amended to read:

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1 **22-25-105. Campaign reporting forms; instructions and**
2 **warning.**

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4 (a) The secretary of state shall prescribe ~~and~~
5 ~~furnish~~ the forms for reporting receipts and expenditures
6 for primary, general and special election campaigns,
7 together with written instructions for completing the form
8 and a warning that violators are subject to criminal
9 charges and that a vacancy will exist if the forms are not
10 completed and filed pursuant to law. Until January 1,
11 2010, the forms along with instructions and warning shall
12 be distributed to the county clerk and shall be given by
13 the county clerk to each person filing an application for
14 nomination in his office and to each political action
15 committee and candidate's campaign committee required to
16 file with the county clerk. Until January 1, 2010, the
17 county clerk shall also distribute the reporting forms to
18 the chairmen of the county party central committees.

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20 (b) The secretary of state shall promulgate rules to
21 allow the forms required pursuant to subsection (a) of this
22 section and any other forms and reports required to be

1 filed with him pursuant to this chapter to be filed
2 electronically after December 31, 2009.

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4 **22-25-107. Where statements to be filed.**

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6 (a) All statements required under this chapter shall
7 be filed as follows:

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9 (iv) A county party central committee shall file
10 with the secretary of state; ~~and county clerk;~~

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12 (b) Until January 1, 2010, s statements required to be
13 filed at least seven (7) days before any primary, general
14 or special election may be filed by facsimile transmission
15 without the original signatures. Until January 1, 2010,
16 s statements required to be filed after any primary, general
17 or special election may be filed by facsimile transmission
18 provided that an original with the required signatures is
19 sent. After December 31, 2009, all statements filed with
20 the secretary of state shall be filed electronically.

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22 (c) Any statement required under this chapter to be
23 filed with:

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2 (i) The secretary of state, ~~may~~shall be filed
3 electronically as provided under W.S. 9-2-2501 if the
4 secretary of state has adopted rules which allow for the
5 electronic filing;

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7 (e) After December 31, 2009, the secretary of state
8 shall maintain a searchable database of reports filed
9 pursuant to this chapter available to the public on or
10 through the Internet, the World Wide Web or a similar
11 proprietary or common carrier electronic system.

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13 **22-25-109. Reporting candidates in violation.**

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15 The secretary of state and the county clerks shall report
16 the names of all candidates in violation of the Election
17 Code of the state of Wyoming to the attorney general or to
18 the district attorney, respectively, for appropriate
19 action.

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21 **Section 2.** There is appropriated two million five
22 hundred thousand dollars (\$2,500,000.00) from the general
23 fund to the secretary of state. This appropriation shall

1 be for the period beginning with the effective date of this
2 act and ending June 30, 2010. This appropriation shall
3 only be expended for the purposes of establishing a system
4 of electronic filing as provided in this act.
5 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, this
6 appropriation shall not be transferred or expended for any
7 other purpose and any unexpended, unobligated funds
8 remaining from this appropriation shall revert as provided
9 by law on June 30, 2010. This appropriation shall not be
10 included in the secretary of state's 2011-1012 standard
11 biennial budget request.

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13 **Section 3.** This act is effective immediately upon
14 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law
15 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming
16 Constitution.

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18 (END)