

Bill No.: HB0049 **Effective:** **Immediately**

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Enrolled Act No.: HEA No. 0035

Chapter No.: 81

Prime Sponsor: Joint Corporations, Elections & Political Subdivisions Interim Committee

Catch Title: **Election reporting requirements.**

Subject: Election reporting requirements.

Summary/Major Elements:

- This bill amends existing election reporting laws to require any organization receiving contributions or expending funds totaling more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for the purpose of causing independent expenditures or electioneering communications to file a statement of formation. It specifies the timing of filing and the information required. It also increases the expenditure amount that triggers itemized statement requirements from five hundred dollars (\$500.00) to one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00).
- This bill provides a definition of "organization," to clarify who is subject to reporting and related requirements. The definition specifically excludes political parties, political action committees or candidate's campaign committees as those entities are generally subject to their own set of reporting requirements.
- This bill provides that campaign reports are filed under the penalty of perjury and increases the penalty for failure to file a campaign report with the secretary of state from five hundred dollars (\$500.00) to up to five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per day until the report is filed. The penalty for failure to file with the county clerk is amended from two hundred dollars (\$200.00) to up to two hundred dollars (\$200.00) per day until the report is filed.

Comments:

- The legislation is effective on April 1, 2022.

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