

1 **State of Arkansas**  
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4 **By: Representative Flanagin**

# A Bill

**HOUSE BILL**

## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO REQUIRE APPROVED POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEES TO  
9 FILE AN ACTIVITY REPORT WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE; TO  
10 DESIGNATE THE CONTENTS OF THE ACTIVITY REPORT; AND FOR  
11 OTHER PURPOSES."

## Subtitle

14 "TO REQUIRE APPROVED POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEES TO FILE  
15 AN ACTIVITY REPORT."

17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

19 SECTION 1. Subchapter 2 of Chapter 6 of Title 7 of the Arkansas Code is  
20 hereby amended by adding the following section:

21 "(a) Within thirty (30) calendar days after each election or ten (10)  
22 calendar days prior to each election, each approved political action committee  
23 shall file an activity report detailing the activities of the committee during  
24 the previous calendar year. The report shall be filed with the Secretary of  
25 State.

26 (b) The activity reports of the approved political action committee  
27 shall be signed and sworn to by the committee. The reports shall contain:

28 (1) The total of all expenditures made or incurred by the  
29 approved political action committee or on behalf of the approved political  
30 action committee during the preceding year. These totals shall be itemized  
31 according to financial category and employers and clients, including food and  
32 refreshments, entertainment, living accommodations, advertising, printing,  
33 postage, travel, telephone, and other expenses or services. Approved political  
34 action committees shall not be required to report office expenses other than  
35 office expenses specifically required to be reported under this section.

1 Approved political action committees are not required to report unreimbursed  
2 personal living and travel expenses not incurred directly for the purpose of  
3 representing the interest of the committee;

4 (2) (A) An itemized listing of each:

5 (i) Gift given to a public servant or candidate for  
6 public office or on behalf of the public servant or candidate for public  
7 office;

8 (ii) Payment for food, lodging, or travel in excess  
9 of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) on behalf of a public servant or candidate for  
10 public office; and

11 (iii) Any other item paid or given to a public  
12 servant or on behalf of the public servant having a value in excess of  
13 twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) unless consideration of equal or greater value  
14 has been given therefor.

15 (B) Each item shall be identified by date, amount paid or  
16 value, and the name of the individual receiving or to be benefited by the  
17 item, and a description of the item.

18 (C) In the case of special events, including parties,  
19 dinners, athletic events, entertainment, and other functions, expenses need  
20 not be allocated by individuals, but the date of the event, location, name of  
21 the governmental body or groups of public servants invited, and total expense  
22 shall be stated;

23 (3) A detailed statement of any money loaned or promised or line  
24 of credit established to a public servant or to anyone on behalf of the public  
25 servant in excess of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per individual. Money loaned  
26 or a line of credit established that is issued in the ordinary course of  
27 business by a financial institution or a person who regularly and customarily  
28 extends credit shall not be required to be disclosed;

29 (4) A statement detailing the direct business association or  
30 partnership with any public servant before whom the approved political action  
31 committee may engage in representing the interests of the committee.

32 (5) A statement indicating the total amount of contributions  
33 received by the approved political action committee, including a description  
34 of non-money items received. The statement shall also list the name of and  
35 address of each person, including the candidate, who made a contribution to

1 the committee, the contributor\_s principal place of business, employer,  
2 occupation, and total amount contributed.

3 (6) A statement updating the information reported on the  
4 registration form filed pursuant to Arkansas Code 7-6-215, if any changes have  
5 occurred."

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7 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature  
8 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code  
9 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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11 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to  
12 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
13 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
14 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
15 act are declared to be severable.

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17 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are  
18 hereby repealed.

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