Hall of the House of Representatives

95th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2025 Amendment Form

Subtitle of House Bill 1281

TO AMEND REPORTING FOR A CANDIDATE FOR CERTAIN MUNICIPAL OFFICES AND FOR COUNTY OFFICE; AND TO AMEND PORTIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE THAT RESULTED FROM INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1996.

Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 1281

Amend House Bill 1281 as originally introduced: Add Representative Underwood

AND

Page 1, delete lines 31 and 32, and substitute the following:

"(a) Reports Required. Except as provided in subsection subsections
 (d) and (e) of this section, each candidate for school district, township, or municipal"

AND

Page 1, delete lines 34 through 36, and substitute the following:

"(1)(A) For each year in which a candidate is not listed on a ballot for election, file an annual report of all contributions received and expenditures made during that year.

(B) The annual report shall be filed no later than fifteen(15) days after the end of the year;"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 1 and 2

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AND

Page 2, line 3, delete "(2) (1)" and substitute "(2)"

AND

Page 2, line 13, delete "<u>(2) No later than twenty (20) days</u>" and substitute "(3) No later than thirty (30) days"

AND

Page 2, line 19, delete "(3)" and substitute "(3)(4)"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 28 through 32, and substitute the following: "(\$500);

(4)(5) File supplemental reports of all contributions received and expenditures made after the date of preparation of the final report. The supplemental reports shall be filed within thirty (30) days after the receipt of a contribution or the making of an expenditure;"

AND

Page 2, line 33, delete "(4)" and substitute "(6)"

AND

Page 3, delete lines 2 through 5, and substitute the following: "candidate shall notify the county clerk in writing of the withdrawal; and

(6)(7) If a candidate keeps remaining campaign funds after an election, the candidate shall continue filing the reports required by this subsection."

AND

Page 3, delete lines 9 through 20, and substitute the following: "1996, is amended to read as follows:

(d) Reports Not Required.

(1) A candidate who has not received contributions or made expenditures in excess of five hundred dollars (\$500) shall not be required to file any preelection reports required under subdivision (a)(1) of this section. In calculating the amount of contributions received or expenditures made for purposes of this exception, the payment of the filing fee from the candidate's personal funds shall not be considered as either a contribution or an expenditure.

(2) The preelection reports referenced in subdivision (a)(1) of this section are only required only for candidates with opponents in those elections."

AND

Immediately following SECTION 2, add an additional section to read as follows:

"SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 7-6-208, concerning reports not required for candidates for a county officer and resulting from Initiated Act 1 of 1996, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:

(e) A candidate who has received contributions in excess of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) shall file a preelection report monthly under this section."

AND

Page 3, delete lines 25 and 26, and substitute the following:

"(a) Reports Required. Except as provided in subsection subsections
(d) and (e) of this section, each candidate for county office or a person acting in the"

AND

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ballot for election, file an annual report of all contributions received and expenditures made during that year.

(B) The annual report shall be filed no later than fifteen(15) days after the end of the year;"

AND

Page 3, line 33, delete "(2)(1)" and substitute "(2)"

AND

Page 4, line 7, delete "(2) No later than twenty (20) days" and substitute "(3) No later than thirty (30) days"

AND

Page 4, line 13, delete "(3)" and substitute "(3)(4)"

AND

Page 4, delete lines 21 through 25, and substitute the following: "made expenditures in excess of five hundred dollars (\$500);

(4)(5) File supplemental reports of all contributions received and expenditures made after the date of preparation of the final report, and the supplemental reports shall be filed within thirty (30) days after the receipt of a contribution or the making of an expenditure;"

AND

Page 4, line 26, delete "(4)" and substitute "(6)"

AND

Page 4, delete lines 31 through 34, and substitute the following: "candidate shall notify the county clerk in writing of the withdrawal; and $\frac{(6)(7)}{1}$ If a candidate keeps remaining campaign funds after an

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election, the candidate shall continue filing the reports required by this subsection."

AND

Page 5, delete lines 2 through 13, and substitute the following: "Initiated Act 1 of 1996, is amended to read as follows:

(d) Reports Not Required.

(1) A candidate who has not received contributions or made expenditures in excess of five hundred dollars (\$500) shall not be required to file any preelection reports required under subdivision (a)(1) of this section. In calculating the amount of contributions received or expenditures made for purposes of this exception, the payment of the filing fee from the candidate's personal funds shall not be considered as either a contribution or an expenditure.

(2) The preelection reports referenced in subdivision (a)(1) of this section are required only for candidates with opponents in those elections."

AND

Immediately following SECTION 4, add an additional section to read as follows:

"SECTION 5. Arkansas Code § 7-6-209, concerning reports not required for contributions of candidates for a county office and resulting from Initiated Act 1 of 1996, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:

(e) A candidate who has received contributions in excess of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) shall file a preelection report monthly under this section."

AND

Appropriately renumber the sections of the bill

The Amendment was read ______ By: Representative McAlindon SSS126/SSS - 01-29-2025 04:46:48 SSS126

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