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4 **By: Representative D. Wood**

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7 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE § 7-6-214 TO REQUIRE COUNTY
9 CLERKS TO SEND DUPLICATE FORMS OF CANDIDATES' CAMPAIGN
10 FINANCING REPORTS TO THE ETHICS COMMISSION WITHIN TEN (10)
11 DAYS OF THE FILING DEADLINES AND THE COMMISSION IS TO
12 DETERMINE A CANDIDATE'S FAILURE TO FILE REPORTS OR A LATE
13 FILING; TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE § 7-6-207(b) AND § 7-6-212
14 TO ELIMINATE THE NEED FOR CANDIDATES FOR STATE AND
15 DISTRICT OFFICES TO FILE REPORTS WITH THE COUNTY CLERK IN
16 THE COUNTY WHERE THEY RESIDE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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"AN ACT TO REQUIRE COUNTY CLERKS TO FILE REPORTS WITH THE
ETHICS COMMISSION AND TO ELIMINATE THE FILING OF CERTAIN
REPORTS WITH COUNTY CLERKS."

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

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25 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 7-6-214 is hereby amended to read as
26 follows:

27 "7-6-214. Publication of reports and filing with county clerks.

28 (a) The information required in §§ 7-6-207 - 7-6-212 of this subchapter
29 and the requirement of subchapters four through eight of Title 21, Chapter 8
30 of the Arkansas Code of 1987, Annotated, shall, upon proper filing, constitute
31 a public record and shall be available within twenty-four (24) hours of the
32 reporting deadline to all interested persons and the news media.

33 (b) The information referred to in subsection (a) of this section shall
34 be filed with the county clerk of each county in duplicate form on documents
35 prepared by the Arkansas Ethics Commission and supplied by the county clerk of

1 each county.

2 (c) The county clerk of each county shall forward a duplicate copy of
3 each filed document to the Arkansas Ethics Commission, no later than ten (10)
4 days following the statutory deadline for the filing of the same.

5 (d) The Arkansas Ethics Commission shall make a determination of
6 whether any candidate or public official having a duty to file the documents,
7 has failed to file, files a late report, or files an incomplete report,
8 excluding supplemental reports, under the requirements of §§ 7-6-207 - 7-6-212
9 of this subchapter and subchapters four through eight of Title 21, Chapter 8
10 of the Arkansas Code of 1987, Annotated."

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12 SECTION 2. Subsection (b) of Arkansas Code § 7-6-207 is hereby amended
13 to read as follows:

14 "(b) Contents of Reports.

15 (1) The campaign reports required by subsection (a) of this
16 section shall indicate:

17 (A) The total amount of contributions received and the
18 total amount of expenditures made during the filing periods;

19 (B) The name and address of each person, including the
20 candidate, who made a contribution which, in the aggregate, exceeds one
21 hundred dollars (\$100);

22 (C) The contributor's principal place of business,
23 employer, occupation, and the amount contributed;

24 (D) A description of non-money items contributed, not
25 including volunteer service by individuals;

26 (E) An itemization of all single expenditures made which
27 exceed one hundred dollars (\$100), including the amount of the expenditure and
28 the name and address of any person, including the candidate, to whom the
29 expenditure was made;

30 (F) A list of all paid campaign workers and the amount the
31 workers were paid;

32 (G) A list of all expenditures by categories including, but
33 not limited to, television, radio, print, and other advertising, direct mail,
34 office supplies, rent, travel, expenses, entertainment, and telephone; and

35 (H) The current surplus or debt of campaign funds.

1 (2) *The reports shall be filed with the Secretary of State."*

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3 SECTION 3. *Arkansas Code § 7-6-212 is hereby amended to read as*
4 *follows:*

5 *"7-6-212. Reports of expenditures.*

6 (a) *A candidate or person acting in the candidate's behalf shall file,*
7 *along with the final report required in §§ 7-6-207 - 7-6-209 of this*
8 *subchapter, with the Secretary of State, or, if it is a school district,*
9 *township, municipal, or county office, with the county clerk in the county in*
10 *which the election is to be held, a list of all expenditures by categories*
11 *including, but not limited to, television, radio, print, and other*
12 *advertising, direct mail, office supplies, rent, travel, expenses,*
13 *entertainment, and telephone.*

14 (b) *The expenditure report shall include the names of all paid campaign*
15 *workers and the amount the workers were paid.*

16 (c) *Each candidate or person acting in the candidate's behalf shall*
17 *also file a supplemental report, including the same information as required*
18 *herein, to disclose any subsequent expenditures after the compilation date of*
19 *the final report.*

20 (d) *Supplemental expenditure reports shall be filed no later than*
21 *thirty (30) days after the expenditure.*

22 (e) *Candidates for other than a school district, township, municipal,*
23 *or county office shall file supplemental expenditure reports with the*
24 *Secretary of State.*

25 (f) *Candidates for a school district, township, municipal, or county*
26 *office shall file supplemental expenditure reports with the county clerk of*
27 *the county in which the election is held."*

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29 SECTION 4. *All provisions of this act of general and permanent nature*
30 *are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code*
31 *Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.*

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33 SECTION 5. *If any provisions of this act or the application thereof to*
34 *any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect*
35 *other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without*

1 the invalid provisions or application, and to this end the provisions of this
2 act are declared to be severable.

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4 SECTION 6. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
5 hereby repealed.

6 */s/D. Wood*

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