

AMENDMENT

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TO: CSHB 355(STA)

Page 1, line 2, following "**Commission**";:

Insert "**relating to candidate forums and contributions in state election campaigns**;"

Page 4, following line 6:

Insert a new bill section to read:

"* Sec. 11. AS 15.13.400(4) is amended to read:

(4) "contribution"

(A) means a purchase, payment, promise or obligation to pay, loan or loan guarantee, deposit or gift of money, goods, or services for which charge is ordinarily made, and includes the payment by a person other than a candidate or political party, or compensation for the personal services of another person, that is rendered to the candidate or political party, and that is made for the purpose of

(i) influencing the nomination or election of a candidate;

(ii) influencing a ballot proposition or question; or

(iii) supporting or opposing an initiative proposal application filed with the lieutenant governor under AS 15.45.020;

(B) does not include

(i) services provided without compensation by individuals volunteering a portion or all of their time on behalf of a political party, candidate, or ballot proposition or question;

1 (ii) ordinary hospitality in a home;

2 (iii) two or fewer mass mailings before each election by
3 each political party describing the party's slate of candidates for
4 election, which may include photographs, biographies, and information
5 about the party's candidates;

6 (iv) the results of a poll limited to issues and not
7 mentioning any candidate, unless the poll was requested by or designed
8 primarily to benefit the candidate;

9 (v) any communication in the form of a newsletter from
10 a legislator to the legislator's constituents, except a communication
11 expressly advocating the election or defeat of a candidate or a
12 newsletter or material in a newsletter that is clearly only for the private
13 benefit of a legislator or a legislative employee; [OR]

14 (vi) a fundraising list provided without compensation
15 by one candidate or political party to a candidate or political party; or

16 (vii) an opportunity to participate in a candidate
17 forum provided to a candidate without compensation by another
18 person and for which a candidate is not ordinarily charged;"
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20 Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.