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HB 407 — APOC; Campaign Contributions/Reporting

Sectional Analysis

Section 1: This section eases the report auditing requirements by removing the word “all.” The change allows APOC to strategically select reports and statements to audit.

Section 2: This section inserts “calendar” to clarify confusion on the definition of year in regards to reporting contributions.

Section 3: This section extends the small campaign reporting exemptions to “groups” in addition to individuals. The minimum threshold for groups to report would be raising or expending \$2,500 in a calendar year.

Section 4: This section renumbers the statute to accommodate the changes in Section 3.

Section 5: This section inserts “calendar” to clarify confusion on the definition of year in regards to the cap on candidate’s acceptance cash contributions.

Section 6: This section inserts “calendar” to clarify confusion on the definition of year in regards to the cap on donating cash contributions.

Section 7: This section provides standardized rules to ensure the readability of “paid for” lines in campaign communications.

Section 8: This section extends by three days the time allowed for APOC to provide an advisory opinion.

Section 9: This section eliminates duplicative reporting of contributions to ballot initiatives by removing the requirement that donors self-report in addition to the campaign’s report.

Section 10: This section sets an effective date of January 1, 2019, after the conclusion of the current election cycle.