

AMENDMENT

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TO: CSHB 409(STA)

1 Page 8, following line 29:

2 Insert a new bill section to read:

3 **"* Sec. 16.** AS 15.13 is amended by adding a new section to read:

4 **Sec. 15.13.142. Use of membership dues to make independent**
5 **expenditures.** (a) This section applies to a person that is an organization and that
6 collects from individuals that constitute its membership contributions, dues, or fees,
7 however denominated, to maintain the organization and to promote the interests of the
8 organization and its members if

9 (1) the organization chooses to make an independent expenditure from
10 the contributions, dues, or fees collected generally from the membership; and

11 (2) that independent expenditure is reportable under this chapter.

12 (b) Before the organization makes an independent expenditure, the
13 organization shall notify the individuals from whom it receives those contributions,
14 dues, or fees of

15 (1) the total amount of money expected to be collected and the total
16 amount actually collected during the organization's current fiscal period;

17 (2) the total amount of expenditures expected to be made by the
18 organization that are reportable under this chapter; and

19 (3) the name of the candidate or title of the ballot proposition or ballot
20 question for which the independent expenditure is to be made and whether the
21 independent expenditure will be made to support or oppose a candidate, ballot
22 proposition, or ballot question.

23 (c) An individual who is a member of an organization proposing to make an

1 independent expenditure under this section may object to the use of a pro rata portion
2 of the member's contributions, dues, or fees for the specific purpose outlined by the
3 organization in (b)(2) and (3) of this section. The member shall communicate the
4 member's objection to the independent expenditure to the executive head of the
5 organization not later than 45 days after transmittal of the notice to the individuals
6 under (b) of this section. When the executive head of the organization has received an
7 objection under this subsection, unless the governing body or the membership, acting
8 by majority vote, has provided for an alternative form of adjustment to the
9 contributions, dues, or fees made by a member lodging an objection under this
10 subsection, such as by making a contribution of an equivalent amount to a charity or
11 nonprofit organization, the executive head of the organization shall promptly remit to
12 the individual lodging the objection a pro rata portion of the member's contributions,
13 dues, or fees based on the amount of the proposed expenditure.

14 (d) An organization may not discharge, discriminate against, or discipline a
15 member because the member has lodged an objection under this (c) of this section."
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17 Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.