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Explanation of Changes

Version B to Version W

SCS CS House Bill 157 (JUD)

"An Act requiring the disclosure of the identity of certain persons, groups, and nongroup entities that expend money in support of or in opposition to an application filed for a state referendum or recall election; relating to the location of offices for the Alaska Public Offices Commission and the locations at which certain statements and reports filed with the commission are made available; relating to the duties of the Alaska Public Offices Commission; clarifying the limits on making, accepting, and reporting certain cash campaign contributions; relating to campaign finance reporting by certain groups; increasing the time the Alaska Public Offices Commission has to respond to a request for an advisory opinion; repealing a reporting requirement for certain contributions; relating to contribution limits and recall campaigns; and providing for an effective date."

- Changed "a central office" to "offices" (Page 2, line 19)
- Section 3 of version B was deleted that removed the word "ALL" from the phrase "examine, investigate, and compare **all** reports, statements, and actions required by this chapter."
- Adds an extension for sitting legislators to file their end-of-year reports until after session ends but requires declaration of any contributions over \$500 within 7-days (page 5, line 31 through page 6, line 6). Section 8 of Version W is a conforming change to this addition (page 4, line 18 through page 5, line 7).
- Updates the subsection lettering in Section 10 to reflect passage of ballot measure 2
- Shortens the time to file a complaint from five years to two years (page 6, line 12)
- Adds a provision for a maximum financial penalty of no more than 20% of the total contributions made to the candidate's campaign for a violation inadvertently committed by a candidate (page 7, line 22 through page 8, line 1). Section 13 of version W is a conforming change to this addition (page 6, line 19 through page 6, line 17).
- Updates the effective date clause (page 12, line 3)