

HOUSE BILL NO. 13

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

NINETEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Referred: State Affairs, Judiciary, Finance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act requiring persons authorized to make or incur political campaign
2 expenditures before filing for nomination to office and groups acting on behalf
3 of them to file certain election campaign finance disclosure reports."

4 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

5 * **Section 1.** PURPOSE. It is the purpose of this Act to set aside the effect of the
6 November 18, 1992, Policy Decision of the Alaska Public Offices Commission as it provides
7 an exemption from the reporting requirements for prospective candidates and for groups acting
8 on behalf of prospective candidates who, during the period preceding an election, raise money
9 for the benefit of an election campaign or make expenditures for the benefit of that campaign
10 before the prospective candidate files for office.

11 * **Sec. 2.** AS 15.13.100 is amended to read:

12 Sec. 15.13.100. EXPENDITURES BEFORE FILING. A political campaign
13 expenditure may not be made or incurred by a person in an election or by a person or
14 group with the person's knowledge and on the person's behalf before the date upon

1 which the person files for nomination for the office which the person seeks, except for
2 personal travel expenses or for opinion surveys or polls. **Unless earlier reported**
3 **under AS 15.13.110(f), these** [THESE] expenditures must be included in the first
4 report required under this chapter after filing for office.

5 * **Sec. 3.** AS 15.13.110 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

6 (f) A prospective candidate who, or a group that, with the prospective
7 candidate's knowledge or on a prospective candidate's behalf, under AS 15.13.100 and
8 the regulations adopted by the commission to implement that section, receives
9 contributions or makes expenditures shall file a report of those contributions and
10 expenditures

11 (1) 30 days before the state primary, state general, state special, or
12 municipal election; however, this report is not required if the contributions are first
13 received or the expenditures are first made within 30 days of the election;

14 (2) one week before the state primary, state general, state special, or
15 municipal election; however, this report is not required if the contributions are first
16 received or the expenditures are first made within one week of the election;

17 (3) 10 days after the state primary, state general, state special, or
18 municipal election; and

19 (4) February 15 for expenditures made and contributions received that
20 were not reported during the previous year or when expenditures were not made or
21 contributions were not received during the previous year.

22 * **Sec. 4.** AS 15.13.125 is amended to read:

23 Sec. 15.13.125. CIVIL PENALTY: LATE FILING OF REQUIRED
24 REPORTS. A person who fails to file a properly completed and certified report within
25 the time required by AS 15.13.040(f), [OR] 15.13.110(a)(1), (3), or (4), **or 15.13.110(f)**
26 is subject to a civil penalty of not more than \$10 a day for each day the delinquency
27 continues as determined by the commission subject to right of appeal to the superior
28 court. A person who fails to file a properly completed and certified report within the
29 time required by AS 15.13.110(a)(2) or 15.13.110(b) is subject to a civil penalty of not
30 more than \$50 a day for each day the delinquency continues as determined by the
31 commission subject to right of appeal to the superior court. An affidavit stating facts

1 in mitigation may be submitted to the commission by a person against whom a civil
2 penalty is assessed. However, the imposition of the penalties prescribed in this section
3 or in AS 15.13.120 does not excuse that person from filing reports required by this
4 chapter.

5 * **Sec. 5.** APPLICATION. The provisions of AS 15.13.110(f), added by sec. 3 of this Act,
6 are intended to apply to persons and groups who initiate early campaigning under a letter of
7 intent authorized by 2 AAC 50.380.