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A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act eliminating the Alaska Public Offices Commission and all campaign
2 contribution and expenditure limits; transferring the administration of lobbying,
3 conflict of interest, and financial disclosure statutes from the Alaska Public Offices
4 Commission to the division of elections; relating to reporting of campaign
5 contributions and expenditures; defining 'full disclosure,' 'purposely,' 'recklessly,' and
6 'resident'; amending the definition of 'contribution,' 'group,' and 'political party';
7 changing the residency requirements for candidates for public offices; and
8 providing for criminal penalties for violation of these provisions."

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

10 * **Section 1.** AS 15.13.010(b) is amended to read:

11 (b) Except as otherwise provided, this chapter applies to contributions,
12 expenditures, and communications made by a candidate, group, **political party,**
13 municipality, or individual for the purpose of influencing the outcome of a ballot

1 proposition or question as well as those made to influence the nomination or election
2 of a candidate.

3 * **Sec. 2.** AS 15.13.010(d) is amended to read:

4 (d) This chapter does not limit the authority of a person to make contributions
5 to influence the outcome of a voter proposition submitted to the public for a vote at
6 a municipal election. In this subsection, in addition to its meaning under **AS 15.60.010**
7 [AS 15.13.065(c)], "proposition" means a municipal reclassification, proposal to adopt
8 or amend a home rule charter, a unification proposal, a boundary change proposal,
9 [OR] the approval of an ordinance when approval by public vote is a requirement for
10 the ordinance, **or an issue placed on a ballot to determine whether**

11 **(1) a debt shall be contracted;**

12 **(2) an advisory question shall be approved or rejected; or**

13 **(3) a municipality shall be incorporated.**

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

15 **Sec. 15.13.015. Registration and affidavit of candidate.** A candidate for the
16 state legislature, for governor, or for lieutenant governor, including an individual
17 campaigning as a write-in candidate for the office of state legislator, governor, or
18 lieutenant governor, shall, with the person's declaration of candidacy or nominating
19 petition, submit an affidavit, signed under oath and notarized, to the division of
20 elections stating that the candidate

21 (1) meets the qualifications for the office specified in the Constitution
22 of the State of Alaska;

23 (2) is a resident of Alaska and intends to remain a resident of Alaska
24 indefinitely;

25 (3) has not claimed residency in another state during the preceding
26 calendar year; and

27 (4) is familiar with the provisions of this chapter and the penalties for
28 violating a provision of this chapter.

29 * **Sec. 4.** AS 15.13 is amended by adding a new section to read:

30 **Sec. 15.13.025. Full disclosure reports.** (a) A candidate, group, political
31 party, municipality, or individual accepting a contribution or making an expenditure

1 for the purpose of influencing the outcome of an election shall fully disclose all
2 contributions and expenditures to the division of elections.

3 (b) A candidate, group, political party, municipality, or individual subject to
4 the disclosure requirement of (a) of this section shall make a full disclosure report
5 semi-monthly from the beginning of the campaign throughout the election year. The
6 final report is due on January 15th following the election. Full disclosure reports for
7 transactions conducted from the first day of each month through the 15th day of each
8 month shall be submitted by the 20th day of that month. Full disclosure reports for
9 transactions conducted from the 16th day of each month through the end of the month
10 shall be submitted by the fifth day of the following month. Each full disclosure report
11 must include a list of

12 (1) all expenditures, including method of payment, payee, description
13 of expenditure, and amount of expenditure;

14 (2) all contributions, including the name of each contributor and the
15 amount contributed by each contributor.

16 (c) Full disclosure reports shall be submitted electronically to the division of
17 elections' campaign disclosure web page or by hard copy hand delivered to the nearest
18 regional supervisor's office of the division of elections or addressed to the nearest
19 regional supervisor's office of the division of elections and postmarked no later than
20 the applicable deadline set out in (b) of this section.

21 (d) The division of elections shall, upon receipt of a full disclosure report,
22 make

23 (1) all of the information available to the public on the division of
24 elections' web page; and

25 (2) copies available for a reasonable fee at the regional office of the
26 division of elections where the report was filed.

27 (e) If a candidate, group, political party, municipality, or individual required
28 to file a full disclosure report fails to file a full disclosure report, the division of
29 elections shall, within five business days after the deadline, notify the candidate, group,
30 political party, municipality, or individual of that failure and post a notice on the
31 division of elections' web site that the candidate, group, political party, municipality,

1 or individual has failed to file a report. The notice must be bordered in red, at least
 2 four inches wide and four inches high, and contain the name of the candidate, group,
 3 political party, municipality, or individual, as well as the phrase "has failed to file a
 4 full disclosure report for this reporting period in a timely manner. This is a violation
 5 of AS 15.13.025 and could result in a fine or imprisonment, or both."

6 * **Sec. 5.** AS 15.13 is amended by adding new sections to read:

7 **Sec. 15.13.035. Penalties and enforcement.** (a) A candidate, group, political
 8 party, municipality, or individual who purposely fails to disclose a contribution or
 9 expenditure as required in AS 15.13.025 or who provides false information on a full
 10 disclosure report is guilty of a class A misdemeanor and upon conviction is punishable
 11 by a fine of not less than \$500 or more than \$1,000.

12 (b) The director may remove from the ballot the name of a candidate who is
 13 convicted of purposely failing to disclose a contribution or expenditure as required in
 14 AS 15.13.025 or providing false information on a full disclosure report. A candidate
 15 who has been convicted of purposely failing to disclose a contribution or expenditure
 16 as required in AS 15.13.025 or providing false information on a full disclosure report
 17 is disqualified from holding the office sought.

18 (c) In addition to other penalties imposed under this title, a candidate who
 19 misrepresents or purposely omits a fact on an affidavit required under AS 15.13.015
 20 is subject to a civil fine of not more than \$5,000. The director may remove from the
 21 ballot the name of a candidate who misrepresents or purposely omits a fact on an
 22 affidavit required under AS 15.13.015. A candidate who has been convicted of perjury
 23 for making a false statement on an affidavit required under AS 15.13.015 or who has
 24 been found in a civil action to have misrepresented or purposely omitted a fact on an
 25 affidavit required under AS 15.13.015 is disqualified from holding the office sought.

26 (d) The director shall immediately refer any suspected criminal violation of
 27 this chapter to the district attorney for criminal prosecution. The district attorney may
 28 file a complaint regarding a violation of this chapter up to 30 days before an election.
 29 The district attorney may file a complaint regarding a violation of this chapter
 30 occurring within 30 days of an election immediately following the election. The
 31 district attorney may request appointment of a retired judge or justice, pro tempore, to

1 hear the case. The district attorney may request expedited consideration of any motion
2 filed in the case.

3 (e) The attorney general or a qualified Alaska voter may bring a civil action
4 to enforce compliance with this chapter. The attorney general may bring a civil action
5 relating to violations under this chapter seeking damages.

6 **Sec. 15.13.037. Regulations.** The director may not adopt regulations to
7 implement this chapter.

8 * **Sec. 6.** AS 15.13.050(a) is amended to read:

9 (a) Before making an expenditure in support of or in opposition to a candidate
10 or before making an expenditure in support of or in opposition to a ballot proposition
11 or question, each person other than an individual shall register, on forms provided by
12 the division of elections [COMMISSION], with the division of elections
13 [COMMISSION].

14 * **Sec. 7.** AS 15.13.060(a) is amended to read:

15 (a) Each political party shall appoint a treasurer, and each candidate and
16 group shall appoint a campaign treasurer, who is responsible for receiving, holding,
17 and disbursing all contributions and expenditures, and for filing all reports and
18 statements required by law. A candidate may be a campaign treasurer.

19 * **Sec. 8.** AS 15.13.060(b) is amended to read:

20 (b) Each group or political party shall file the name and address of its
21 [CAMPAIGN] treasurer with the division of elections [COMMISSION] at the time
22 it registers with the division of elections [COMMISSION] under AS 15.13.050.

23 * **Sec. 9.** AS 15.13.060(c) is amended to read:

24 (c) Each candidate for state office shall file the name and address of the
25 campaign treasurer with the division of elections [COMMISSION, OR SUBMIT, IN
26 WRITING, THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE CAMPAIGN TREASURER TO
27 THE DIRECTOR FOR FILING WITH THE COMMISSION], no later than 15 days
28 after the date of filing the declaration of candidacy or the nominating petition. [EACH
29 CANDIDATE FOR MUNICIPAL OFFICE SHALL FILE THE NAME AND
30 ADDRESS OF THE CAMPAIGN TREASURER WITH THE COMMISSION NO
31 LATER THAN SEVEN DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF FILING THE

1 DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY OR THE NOMINATING PETITION.] If the
2 candidate does not designate a campaign treasurer, the candidate is the campaign
3 treasurer.

4 * **Sec. 10.** AS 15.13.060(d) is amended to read:

5 (d) In the case of the death, resignation, or removal of a campaign treasurer,
6 the candidate shall appoint a successor as soon as practicable and file the successor's
7 name and address with the **division of elections** [COMMISSION] within 48 hours of
8 the appointment. [THE CANDIDATE IS DISQUALIFIED IF FOUND TO HAVE
9 BEEN IN WILFUL VIOLATION OF THIS SUBSECTION.]

10 * **Sec. 11.** AS 15.13.400(1) is amended to read:

11 (1) "candidate"

12 [(A)] means an individual who **qualifies for state office under**
13 **AS 15.13.015 and** files for election to the state legislature, for governor, for
14 lieutenant governor, [FOR MUNICIPAL OFFICE,] for retention in judicial
15 office, or for constitutional convention delegate, or who campaigns as a write-
16 in candidate for any of these offices; [AND

17 (B) WHEN USED IN A PROVISION OF THIS CHAPTER
18 THAT LIMITS OR PROHIBITS THE DONATION, SOLICITATION, OR
19 ACCEPTANCE OF CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS, OR LIMITS OR
20 PROHIBITS AN EXPENDITURE, INCLUDES

21 (i) A CANDIDATE'S CAMPAIGN TREASURER AND
22 A DEPUTY CAMPAIGN TREASURER;

23 (ii) A MEMBER OF THE CANDIDATE'S
24 IMMEDIATE FAMILY;

25 (iii) A PERSON ACTING AS AGENT FOR THE
26 CANDIDATE;

27 (iv) THE CANDIDATE'S CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE;
28 AND

29 (v) A GROUP THAT MAKES EXPENDITURES OR
30 RECEIVES CONTRIBUTIONS WITH THE AUTHORIZATION OR
31 CONSENT, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, OR UNDER THE CONTROL,

1 DIRECT OR INDIRECT, OF THE CANDIDATE;]

2 * Sec. 12. AS 15.13.400(3) is amended to read:

3 (3) "contribution"

4 (A) means a purchase, payment, promise or obligation to pay,
5 loan or loan guarantee, deposit or gift of money, goods, or services for which
6 charge is ordinarily made and that is made for the purpose of influencing the
7 nomination or election of a candidate, and in AS 15.13.010(b) for the purpose
8 of influencing a ballot proposition or question, including the payment by a
9 person other than a candidate or political party, or compensation for the
10 personal services of another person, that are rendered to the candidate or
11 political party;

12 (B) does not include

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

16 (ii) services provided without compensation by an
17 individual volunteering part-time or full-time on behalf of a
18 candidate, a group registered under AS 15.13.050, a political party,
19 or a ballot proposition [, BUT IT DOES INCLUDE
20 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES VOLUNTEERED BY INDIVIDUALS
21 FOR WHICH THEY ORDINARILY WOULD BE PAID A FEE OR
22 WAGE;

23 (ii) SERVICES PROVIDED BY AN ACCOUNTANT
24 OR OTHER PERSON TO PREPARE REPORTS AND STATEMENTS
25 REQUIRED BY THIS CHAPTER]; or

26 (iii) ordinary hospitality in a home;

27 * Sec. 13. AS 15.13.400(5) is amended to read:

28 (5) "group" means

29 (A) [EVERY STATE AND REGIONAL EXECUTIVE
30 COMMITTEE OF A POLITICAL PARTY; AND

31 (B)] any combination of two or more individuals acting jointly

1 who organize for the principal purpose of influencing the outcome of one or
 2 more elections and who take action the major purpose of which is to influence
 3 the outcome of an election, **except a political party is not considered a**
 4 **group**; [A GROUP THAT MAKES EXPENDITURES OR RECEIVES
 5 CONTRIBUTIONS WITH THE AUTHORIZATION OR CONSENT,
 6 EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, OR UNDER THE CONTROL, DIRECT OR
 7 INDIRECT, OF A CANDIDATE SHALL BE CONSIDERED TO BE
 8 CONTROLLED BY THAT CANDIDATE; A GROUP WHOSE MAJOR
 9 PURPOSE IS TO FURTHER THE NOMINATION, ELECTION, OR
 10 CANDIDACY OF ONLY ONE INDIVIDUAL, OR INTENDS TO EXPEND
 11 MORE THAN 50 PERCENT OF ITS MONEY ON A SINGLE CANDIDATE,
 12 SHALL BE CONSIDERED TO BE CONTROLLED BY THAT CANDIDATE
 13 AND ITS ACTIONS DONE WITH THE CANDIDATE'S KNOWLEDGE
 14 AND CONSENT UNLESS, WITHIN 10 DAYS FROM THE DATE THE
 15 CANDIDATE LEARNS OF THE EXISTENCE OF THE GROUP THE
 16 CANDIDATE FILES WITH THE COMMISSION, ON A FORM PROVIDED
 17 BY THE COMMISSION, AN AFFIDAVIT THAT THE GROUP IS
 18 OPERATING WITHOUT THE CANDIDATE'S CONTROL; A GROUP
 19 ORGANIZED FOR MORE THAN ONE YEAR PRECEDING AN ELECTION
 20 AND ENDORSING CANDIDATES FOR MORE THAN ONE OFFICE OR
 21 MORE THAN ONE POLITICAL PARTY IS PRESUMED NOT TO BE
 22 CONTROLLED BY A CANDIDATE; HOWEVER, A GROUP THAT
 23 CONTRIBUTES MORE THAN 50 PERCENT OF ITS MONEY TO OR ON
 24 BEHALF OF ONE CANDIDATE SHALL BE CONSIDERED TO SUPPORT
 25 ONLY ONE CANDIDATE FOR PURPOSES OF AS 15.13.070, WHETHER
 26 OR NOT CONTROL OF THE GROUP HAS BEEN DISCLAIMED BY THE
 27 CANDIDATE;]

28 * **Sec. 14.** AS 15.13.400(10) is amended to read:

29 (10) "political party" means

30 (A) an organized group of voters that represents a political
 31 program and that **either** nominated a candidate for governor who received at

1 least three percent of the total votes cast **for governor** at **the** [ANY ONE OF
 2 THE LAST FIVE] preceding general **election** [ELECTIONS] **or has registered**
 3 **voters in the state equal in number to at least three percent of the total**
 4 **votes cast** for governor **at the preceding general election**; and

5 (B) **every state and regional executive committee of** [A
 6 SUBORDINATE UNIT OF THE ORGANIZED GROUP OF VOTERS
 7 QUALIFYING AS] a political party [UNDER (A) OF THIS PARAGRAPH IF,
 8 CONSISTENT WITH THE RULES OR BYLAWS OF THE POLITICAL
 9 PARTY, THE UNIT CONDUCTS OR SUPPORTS CAMPAIGN
 10 OPERATIONS IN A MUNICIPALITY, NEIGHBORHOOD, ELECTION
 11 DISTRICT, OR PRECINCT];

12 * **Sec. 15.** AS 15.13.400 is amended by adding new paragraphs to read:

13 (12) "full disclosure" means complete and abundantly detailed
 14 revelation of all assets and all income;

15 (13) "purposely" has the meaning given for "knowingly" in
 16 AS 11.81.900(a);

17 (14) "recklessly" means acting in a manner that is careless, inattentive,
 18 or negligent;

19 (15) "resident" means a person who

20 (A) occupies a dwelling within the state;

21 (B) intends to remain in the state for a period of time; and

22 (C) manifests the genuineness of that intent by establishing an
 23 ongoing physical presence in the state together with indicia that presence in the
 24 state is something other than merely transitory in nature.

25 * **Sec. 16.** AS 15.25.030(b) is amended to read:

26 (b) A person filing a declaration of candidacy under this section, other than
 27 a person subject to AS 24.60 who is filing a declaration for a state legislative office,
 28 shall simultaneously file with the **division of elections** [DIRECTOR] a statement of
 29 income sources and business interests that complies with the requirements of AS 39.50.
 30 A person who is subject to AS 24.60 and is filing a declaration of candidacy for state
 31 legislative office shall simultaneously file with the **division of elections** [DIRECTOR]

1 a disclosure statement that complies with the requirements of AS 24.60.200.

2 * **Sec. 17.** AS 15.25.030(c) is amended to read:

3 (c) An incumbent public official, other than a legislator, who has a current
4 statement of income sources and business interests under AS 39.50 on file with the
5 **division of elections** [ALASKA PUBLIC OFFICES COMMISSION], or an incumbent
6 legislator who has a current disclosure statement under AS 24.60.200 on file with the
7 **division of elections** [ALASKA PUBLIC OFFICES COMMISSION], is not required
8 to file a statement of income sources and business interests or a disclosure statement
9 with the declaration of candidacy under (b) of this section.

10 * **Sec. 18.** AS 15.25.180(b) is amended to read:

11 (b) A person filing a nominating petition under this section, other than a
12 person subject to AS 24.60 who is filing a petition for a state legislative office, shall
13 simultaneously file with the **division of elections** [DIRECTOR] a statement of income
14 sources and business interests that complies with the requirements of AS 39.50. A
15 person who is subject to AS 24.60 and is filing a nominating petition for state
16 legislative office shall simultaneously file with the **division of elections** [DIRECTOR]
17 a disclosure statement that complies with the requirements of AS 24.60.200.

18 * **Sec. 19.** AS 15.25.180(c) is amended to read:

19 (c) An incumbent public official, other than a legislator, who has a current
20 statement of income sources and business interests under AS 39.50 on file with the
21 **division of elections** [ALASKA PUBLIC OFFICES COMMISSION], or an incumbent
22 legislator who has a current disclosure statement under AS 24.60.200 on file with the
23 **division of elections** [ALASKA PUBLIC OFFICES COMMISSION], is not required
24 to file a statement of income sources and business interests or a disclosure statement
25 with the nominating petition under (b) of this section.

26 * **Sec. 20.** AS 15.56.014(a) is amended to read:

27 (a) A person commits the crime of campaign misconduct in the second degree
28 if the person

29 (1) knowingly circulates or has written, printed, or circulated a letter,
30 circular, or publication relating to an election, to a candidate at an election, or **to** an
31 election proposition or question without the name and address of the author appearing

1 on its face;

2 (2) [EXCEPT AS PROVIDED BY AS 15.13.090(b),] knowingly prints
3 or publishes an advertisement, billboard, placard, poster, handbill, paid-for television
4 or radio announcement, or other communication intended to influence the election of
5 a candidate or outcome of a ballot proposition or question without the words "paid for
6 by" followed by the name and address of the candidate, group, or individual paying
7 for the advertising or communication and, if a candidate or group, with the name of
8 the campaign chair;

9 (3) knowingly writes or prints and circulates, or has written, printed,
10 and circulated, a letter, circular, bill, placard, poster, or advertisement in a newspaper,
11 on radio, or on television

12 (A) containing false factual information relating to a candidate
13 for an election;

14 (B) that the person knows to be false; and

15 (C) that would provoke a reasonable person under the
16 circumstances to a breach of the peace or that a reasonable person would
17 construe as damaging to the candidate's reputation for honesty, integrity, or the
18 candidate's qualifications to serve if elected to office.

19 * **Sec. 21.** AS 24.45.021 is amended to read:

20 **Sec. 24.45.021. Administration.** (a) This chapter shall be administered by
21 the division of elections [ALASKA PUBLIC OFFICES COMMISSION CREATED
22 UNDER AS 15.13.020(a)].

23 (b) The division [COMMISSION] shall adopt regulations under AS 44.62
24 (Administrative Procedure Act) to implement the provisions of this chapter.

25 * **Sec. 22.** AS 24.45.031 is amended to read:

26 **Sec. 24.45.031. Powers and duties.** (a) In addition to its other duties under
27 this chapter, the division [COMMISSION] shall

28 (1) prescribe the forms for registration, reports, statements, notices, and
29 other documents required by this chapter;

30 (2) prepare and publish instructions setting out the methods of
31 accounting, bookkeeping, and preservation of records required to facilitate compliance

1 with and enforcement of this chapter and explaining the duties of persons subject to
2 the provisions of this chapter; the instructions shall be updated periodically;

3 (3) provide assistance to persons in complying with the provisions of
4 this chapter;

5 (4) prepare and publish a biennial report of its activities, findings, and
6 recommendations under this chapter, which shall be made available to the governor,
7 legislature, and to the public by February 1 of each odd-numbered calendar year; the
8 **division** [COMMISSION] shall notify the legislature that the report is available;

9 (5) report suspected violations of this chapter to the attorney general.

10 (b) The **division** [COMMISSION] may

11 (1) hold hearings and conduct investigations into compliance with the
12 provisions of this chapter;

13 (2) in conjunction with (1) of this subsection, issue subpoenas, compel
14 the attendance and testimony of witnesses, administer oaths and affirmations, and
15 require the production of books, papers, records, documents, or other items material
16 to the **division's** [COMMISSION'S] duties or powers under this chapter;

17 (3) prepare, publish, and make available to the public, periodic, but at
18 least biannually, summaries of the statements and reports received; these summaries
19 shall list separately individual lobbyists and employers of lobbyists.

20 * **Sec. 23.** AS 24.45.041(a) is amended to read:

21 (a) Before engaging in lobbying, a lobbyist shall file a registration statement
22 on a form prescribed by the **division** [COMMISSION].

23 * **Sec. 24.** AS 24.45.041(b) is amended to read:

24 (b) The registration form prescribed by the **division** [COMMISSION] must
25 include

26 (1) the lobbyist's full name and complete permanent residence and
27 business address and telephone number, as well as any temporary residential and
28 business address and telephone number in the state capital during a legislative session;

29 (2) the full name and complete address of each person by whom the
30 lobbyist is retained or employed;

31 (3) whether the person from whom the lobbyist receives compensation

1 employs the person solely as a lobbyist or whether the person is a regular employee
 2 performing other services for the employer that include but are not limited to the
 3 influencing of legislative or administrative action;

4 (4) the nature or form of the lobbyist's compensation for engaging in
 5 lobbying, including salary, fees, or reimbursement for expenses received in
 6 consideration for, or directly in support of or in connection with, the influencing of
 7 legislative or administrative action;

8 (5) a general description of the subjects or matters on which the
 9 registrant expects to lobby or to engage in the influencing of legislative or
 10 administrative action;

11 (6) the full name and complete address of the person, if other than the
 12 registrant, who has custody of the accounts, books, papers, bills, receipts, and other
 13 documents required to be maintained under this chapter;

14 (7) the identification of a legislator, legislative employee, or public
 15 official to whom the lobbyist is married or who is the spousal equivalent of the
 16 lobbyist; in this paragraph, "spousal equivalent" has the meaning given in
 17 AS 39.50.030(g).

18 * **Sec. 25.** AS 24.45.041(d) is amended to read:

19 (d) If a change occurs in any of the information contained in a registration
 20 statement filed under (a) of this section, or in any accompanying document, an
 21 appropriate amendment shall be filed with the **division** [COMMISSION] within 10
 22 days after the change.

23 * **Sec. 26.** AS 24.45.041(e) is amended to read:

24 (e) Within 45 days after the convening of each regular session of the
 25 legislature, the **division** [COMMISSION] shall publish a directory of registered
 26 lobbyists, containing the information prescribed in (b) of this section for each lobbyist
 27 and the photograph, if any, furnished by a lobbyist under (c) of this section. From
 28 time to time thereafter, the **division** [COMMISSION] shall publish those supplements
 29 to the directory that in the **division's** [COMMISSION'S] judgment may be necessary.
 30 The directory shall be made available to public officials and to the public at the
 31 following locations: a public place adjacent to the legislative chambers in the state

1 capitol building, the office of the lieutenant governor, the legislative reference library
2 of the Legislative Affairs Agency, and the division's [COMMISSION'S] central office.

3 * **Sec. 27.** AS 24.45.041(f) is amended to read:

4 (f) Each lobbyist shall renew the registration annually by filing a new
5 registration statement together with a new authorization to act as a lobbyist before
6 engaging in lobbying. The lobbyist also shall file any reports or statements the
7 lobbyist has failed to file for a previous reporting period. The division
8 [COMMISSION] may not renew lobbying credentials until this provision is complied
9 with.

10 * **Sec. 28.** AS 24.45.041(g) is amended to read:

11 (g) An application for registration as a lobbyist under (a) of this section or for
12 renewal of a registration under (f) of this section is subject to a fee of \$100. The
13 division [COMMISSION] may not accept an application for registration or renew a
14 registration until the fee is paid. This subsection does not apply to a volunteer lobbyist
15 under AS 24.45.161 or a representational lobbyist under regulations of the division
16 [COMMISSION].

17 * **Sec. 29.** AS 24.45.051 is amended to read:

18 **Sec. 24.45.051. Reports.** Each lobbyist registered under AS 24.45.041 shall
19 file with the division [COMMISSION] a report concerning the lobbyist's activities
20 during each reporting period prescribed in AS 24.45.081, so long as the lobbyist
21 continues to engage in lobbying activities. The report shall be made on a form
22 prescribed by the division [COMMISSION] and filed in accordance with AS 24.45.071
23 and 24.45.081. The report also must include any changes in the information required
24 to be supplied under AS 24.45.041(b) and the following information for the reporting
25 period, as applicable:

26 (1) the source of income, as defined in AS 39.50.200(a) and the
27 monetary value of all payments, including but not limited to salary, fees, and
28 reimbursement of expenses, received in consideration for or directly or indirectly in
29 support of or in connection with influencing legislative or administrative action, and
30 the full name and complete address of each person from whom amounts or things of
31 value have been received and the total monetary value received from each person;

1 (2) the aggregate amount of disbursements or expenditures made or
 2 incurred during the period in support of or in connection with influencing legislative
 3 or administrative action by the lobbyist, or on behalf of the lobbyist by the lobbyist's
 4 employer in the following categories:

5 (A) food and beverages;

6 (B) living accommodations;

7 (C) travel;

8 (3) the date and nature of any gift exceeding \$100 in value made to a
 9 public official and the full name and official position of that person;

10 (4) the name and official position of each public official, and the name
 11 of each member of the immediate family of any of these officials, with whom the
 12 lobbyist has engaged in an exchange of money, goods, services, or anything of more
 13 than \$100 in value and the nature and date of each of these exchanges and the
 14 monetary values exchanged;

15 (5) the name and address of any business entity in which the lobbyist
 16 knows or has reason to know that a public official is a proprietor, partner, director,
 17 officer or manager, or has a controlling interest, and whom the lobbyist has engaged
 18 in an exchange of money, goods, services, or anything of value and the nature and date
 19 of each exchange and the monetary value exchanged if the total value of these
 20 exchanges is \$100 or more in a calendar year; and

21 (6) a notice of termination if the lobbyist has ceased the lobbying
 22 activity that required registration under this chapter and if this report constitutes the
 23 final report of the lobbyist's activities.

24 * **Sec. 30.** AS 24.45.061(a) is amended to read:

25 (a) Within 15 days after employing, retaining, or contracting for the
 26 employment or retention of a lobbyist, the person who employs, retains, or who
 27 contracts for the services of a lobbyist shall file a statement with the **division**
 28 [COMMISSION] authorizing or verifying that employment, retention, or contract for
 29 lobbying services.

30 * **Sec. 31.** AS 24.45.091 is amended to read:

31 **Sec. 24.45.091. Publication of reports.** Copies of the statements and reports

1 filed under this chapter shall be made available to the public at the **division's**
 2 [COMMISSION'S] central office, the office of the lieutenant governor, **and** the
 3 legislative reference library of the Legislative Affairs Agency [, AND AT THE
 4 COMMISSION'S DISTRICT OFFICES PRESCRIBED IN AS 15.13.020(j)] as soon
 5 as practicable after each reporting period.

6 * **Sec. 32.** AS 24.45.101 is amended to read:

7 **Sec. 24.45.101. Public records.** Statements and reports filed under this
 8 chapter are public records and shall be available for public inspection and copying
 9 during normal business hours at the expense of the person requesting copies; however,
 10 the charge for copying may not exceed actual cost to the **division** [COMMISSION].

11 * **Sec. 33.** AS 24.45.111 is amended to read:

12 **Sec. 24.45.111. Preservation of records.** (a) A person required to register
 13 or report as a lobbyist shall preserve all accounts, bills, receipts, books, papers, and
 14 documents necessary to substantiate the reports required to be made and filed under
 15 this chapter for a period of at least one year from the date of the filing of the report
 16 containing these items. These accounts, bills, receipts, books, papers, and other
 17 documents shall be made available for inspection by the **division** [COMMISSION],
 18 or members of its staff, at any time. If a lobbyist is required under the terms of the
 19 lobbyist's employment contract to turn any records over to the employer, responsibility
 20 for the preservation of these records under this section rests with the employer.

21 (b) The **division** [COMMISSION] shall preserve the statements and reports
 22 required to be filed under this chapter for a period of six years from the date of filing.
 23 If the **division's** [COMMISSION'S] central office is not in the state capital, copies of
 24 all statements and reports filed under this chapter shall be maintained in an office
 25 established by the **division** [COMMISSION] in the state capital or in the office of the
 26 lieutenant governor.

27 * **Sec. 34.** AS 24.45.116 is amended to read:

28 **Sec. 24.45.116. Disclosure of contributions.** A civic league or organization
 29 shall report the total amount of contributions received for the reporting period and for
 30 any contribution over \$100, the name of the contributor, and the amount contributed.
 31 The civic league or organization may establish a separate fund to account for receipts

1 and expenditures arising out of activities to influence legislative action. Reports shall
2 be made on a form provided by the division [COMMISSION] on February 10,
3 April 25, and July 10 of each year, listing contributions received during the period that
4 ended 10 days earlier.

5 * **Sec. 35.** AS 24.45.121(a) is amended to read:

6 (a) A lobbyist may not

7 (1) engage in any activity as a lobbyist before registering under
8 AS 24.45.041;

9 (2) do anything with the intent of placing a public official under
10 personal obligation to the lobbyist or to the lobbyist's employer;

11 (3) intentionally deceive or attempt to deceive any public official with
12 regard to any material fact pertinent to pending or proposed legislative or
13 administrative action;

14 (4) cause or influence the introduction of a legislative measure solely
15 for the purpose of thereafter being employed to secure its passage or its defeat;

16 (5) cause a communication to be sent to a public official in the name
17 of any fictitious person or in the name of any real person, except with the consent of
18 that person;

19 (6) accept or agree to accept any payment in any way contingent upon
20 the defeat, enactment, or outcome of any proposed legislative or administrative action;

21 (7) serve as a member of a state board, or commission, if the lobbyist's
22 employer may receive direct economic benefit from a decision of that board or
23 commission;

24 (8) serve as a campaign manager or director, serve as a campaign
25 treasurer or deputy campaign treasurer on a finance or fund-raising committee, host a
26 fund-raising event, directly or indirectly collect contributions for, or deliver
27 contributions to, a candidate or otherwise engage in the fund-raising activity of a
28 legislative campaign or campaign for governor or lieutenant governor if the lobbyist
29 has registered, or is required to register as a lobbyist, under this chapter, during the
30 calendar year; this paragraph does not apply to a representational lobbyist as defined
31 in the regulations of the division [ALASKA PUBLIC OFFICES COMMISSION], and

1 does not prohibit a lobbyist from making personal contributions to a candidate as
2 authorized by AS 15.13 or personally advocating on behalf of a candidate;

3 (9) offer, solicit, initiate, facilitate, or provide to or on behalf of a
4 person covered by AS 24.60, during a legislative session, a gift, other than food or
5 beverage for immediate consumption;

6 (10) make or offer a gift or a campaign contribution whose acceptance
7 by the person to whom it is offered would violate AS 24.60.

8 * **Sec. 36.** AS 24.45.121(c) is amended to read:

9 (c) A former member of the legislature may not engage in activity as a
10 lobbyist before the legislature for a period of one year after the former member has
11 left the legislature. This subsection does not prohibit a former member from acting
12 as a volunteer lobbyist described in AS 24.45.161(a)(1) or a representational lobbyist
13 as defined under regulations of the **division** [COMMISSION].

14 * **Sec. 37.** AS 24.45.131 is amended to read:

15 **Sec. 24.45.131. Examination of statements, reports.** (a) The **division**
16 [COMMISSION] or its staff shall examine each statement or report filed under this
17 chapter within 10 days after the date it is filed. A person required to file a statement
18 or report under this chapter shall be notified immediately if

19 (1) it appears that the person has failed to file a statement or report as
20 required by law or that the statement or report filed does not conform to the
21 requirements of this chapter; or

22 (2) a written complaint is filed with the **division** [COMMISSION] by
23 any qualified voter alleging that a statement or report filed with the **division**
24 [COMMISSION] does not conform to the requirements of this chapter, or to the truth,
25 or that a person subject to the provisions of this chapter has failed to file a statement
26 or report in the manner prescribed by this chapter.

27 (b) The **division** [COMMISSION] shall conduct an investigation, and may
28 thereafter conduct a hearing, into an allegation under (a)(2) of this section.

29 (c) The **division** [COMMISSION] shall report any suspected violations of this
30 chapter to the attorney general, to a district attorney in the judicial district where the
31 alleged violation occurred, or to a grand jury.

1 * **Sec. 38.** AS 24.45.141 is amended to read:

2 **Sec. 24.45.141. Civil penalty: Late registration, filing of required**
 3 **statements or reports.** A person who fails to register or to file a properly completed
 4 and certified report or statement, as applicable, within the time required by this chapter
 5 is subject to a civil penalty of not more than \$10 a day for each day the delinquency
 6 continues as determined by the **division** [COMMISSION] subject to right of appeal to
 7 the superior court. An affidavit stating facts in mitigation may be submitted to the
 8 **division** [COMMISSION] by a person against whom a civil penalty is assessed.
 9 However, the imposition of the penalties prescribed in this section or in AS 24.45.151
 10 does not excuse the lobbyist or employer of a lobbyist from filing statements or reports
 11 required by this chapter.

12 * **Sec. 39.** AS 24.45.171 is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

13 (13) "division" means the division of elections.

14 * **Sec. 40.** AS 24.60.080(d) is amended to read:

15 (d) A legislator or legislative employee who accepts a gift under (c)(4) of this
 16 section that has a value of \$250 or more shall disclose to the committee, within 30
 17 days after receipt of the gift, the name and occupation of the donor and the
 18 approximate value of the gift. A legislator or legislative employee who accepts a gift
 19 under (c)(8) of this section that the recipient expects will have a value of \$250 or more
 20 in the calendar year shall disclose to the committee, within 30 days after receipt of the
 21 gift, the name and occupation of the donor, a general description of the matter of
 22 legislative concern with respect to which the gift is made, and the approximate value
 23 of the gift. The committee shall maintain a public record of the disclosures it receives
 24 relating to gifts under (c)(4) and (8) of this section and shall forward the disclosures
 25 to the appropriate house for inclusion in the journal. [THE COMMITTEE SHALL
 26 FORWARD TO THE ALASKA PUBLIC OFFICES COMMISSION COPIES OF THE
 27 DISCLOSURES CONCERNING GIFTS UNDER (c)(4) AND (8) OF THIS SECTION
 28 THAT IT RECEIVES FROM LEGISLATORS AND LEGISLATIVE DIRECTORS.]
 29 A legislator or legislative employee who accepts a gift under (c)(6) of this section that
 30 has a value of \$250 or more shall disclose to the committee annually on or before
 31 March 15 the name and occupation of the donor and a description of the gift. The

1 committee shall maintain disclosures relating to gifts under (c)(6) of this section as
 2 confidential records and may only use, or permit a committee employee or contractor
 3 to use, a disclosure under (c)(6) of this section in the investigation of a possible
 4 violation of this section or in a proceeding under AS 24.60.170. If the disclosure under
 5 (c)(6) of this section becomes part of the record of a proceeding under AS 24.60.170,
 6 the confidentiality provisions of that section apply to the disclosure.

7 * **Sec. 41.** AS 24.60.080(e) is amended to read:

8 (e) A political contribution is not a gift under this section if it is reported
 9 under AS 15.13.025 [AS 15.13.040 OR IS EXEMPT FROM THE REPORTING
 10 REQUIREMENT UNDER AS 15.13.040(g)]. The use of a bulk mailing permit owned
 11 by a legislator's campaign committee or used in a legislator's election campaign is not
 12 a gift to that legislator under this section.

13 * **Sec. 42.** AS 24.60.170(l) is amended to read:

14 (l) Proceedings of the committee relating to complaints before it are
 15 confidential until the committee determines that there is probable cause to believe that
 16 a violation of this chapter has occurred. The complaint and all documents produced
 17 or disclosed as a result of the committee investigation are confidential and not subject
 18 to inspection by the public. If, in the course of an investigation or probable cause
 19 determination, the committee finds evidence of probable criminal activity, the
 20 committee shall transmit a statement and factual findings limited to that activity to the
 21 appropriate law enforcement agency. [IF THE COMMITTEE FINDS EVIDENCE OF
 22 A PROBABLE VIOLATION OF AS 15.13, THE COMMITTEE SHALL TRANSMIT
 23 A STATEMENT TO THAT EFFECT AND FACTUAL FINDINGS LIMITED TO
 24 THE PROBABLE VIOLATION TO THE ALASKA PUBLIC OFFICES
 25 COMMISSION.] All meetings of the committee before the determination of probable
 26 cause are closed to the public and to legislators who are not members of the
 27 committee. However, the committee may permit the subject of the complaint to attend
 28 a meeting other than the deliberations on probable cause. The confidentiality
 29 provisions of this subsection may be waived by the subject of the complaint.

30 * **Sec. 43.** AS 24.60.200 is amended to read:

31 **Sec. 24.60.200. Financial disclosure by legislators, public members of the**

1 **committee, and legislative directors.** A legislator, a public member of the committee,
 2 and a legislative director shall file a disclosure statement, under oath and on penalty
 3 of perjury, with the **division of elections** [ALASKA PUBLIC OFFICES
 4 COMMISSION] giving the following information about the income received by the
 5 discloser, the discloser's spouse or spousal equivalent, the discloser's dependent
 6 children, and the discloser's nondependent children who are living with the discloser:

7 (1) the information that a public official is required to report under
 8 AS 39.50.030, other than information about gifts;

9 (2) as to income in excess of \$1,000 received as compensation for
 10 personal services, the name and address of the source of the income, and a statement
 11 describing the nature of the services performed; if the source of income is known or
 12 reasonably should be known to have a substantial interest in legislative, administrative,
 13 or political action and the recipient of the income is a legislator or a legislative
 14 director, the amount of income received from the source shall be disclosed;

15 (3) as to each loan or loan guarantee over \$1,000 from a source with
 16 a substantial interest in legislative, administrative, or political action, the name and
 17 address of the person making the loan or guarantee, the amount of the loan, the terms
 18 and conditions under which the loan or guarantee was given, the amount outstanding
 19 at the time of filing, and whether or not a written loan agreement exists.

20 * **Sec. 44.** AS 24.60.210 is amended to read:

21 **Sec. 24.60.210. Deadlines for filing of disclosure statements.** A person
 22 required to file a disclosure statement under AS 24.60.200 shall file an annual report
 23 with the **division of elections** [ALASKA PUBLIC OFFICES COMMISSION],
 24 covering the previous calendar year, containing the disclosures required by
 25 AS 24.60.200, on or before March 15 of each year.

26 * **Sec. 45.** AS 24.60.220 is amended to read:

27 **Sec. 24.60.220. Administration of AS 24.60.200 - 24.60.260.** The **division**
 28 **of elections** [ALASKA PUBLIC OFFICES COMMISSION] shall

29 (1) adopt regulations to implement and interpret the provisions of
 30 AS 24.60.200 - 24.60.260;

31 (2) prepare standardized forms on which the statements required by

1 AS 24.60.200 shall be filed; and

2 (3) examine, investigate, and compare all reports and statements
3 required under AS 24.60.200, and report all possible violations of this chapter it
4 discovers to the committee.

5 * **Sec. 46.** AS 24.60.230 is amended to read:

6 **Sec. 24.60.230. Statements as public records.** A statement filed with the
7 division of elections [ALASKA PUBLIC OFFICES COMMISSION] under
8 AS 24.60.200 is a public record. A person is not required to comply with
9 AS 24.60.200 to the extent that a court of competent jurisdiction of the state
10 determines that legally privileged professional relationships or constitutional privacy
11 considerations would be violated by compliance.

12 * **Sec. 47.** AS 24.60.240 is amended to read:

13 **Sec. 24.60.240. Civil penalty for late filing.** A person required to file a
14 disclosure statement under AS 24.60.200 who fails to file a properly completed report
15 under AS 24.60.200 is subject to a civil penalty of not more than \$10 a day for each
16 day the delinquency continues as the division of elections [ALASKA PUBLIC
17 OFFICES COMMISSION] determines, subject to appeal to the superior court. An
18 affidavit stating facts in mitigation may be submitted to the division of elections
19 [ALASKA PUBLIC OFFICES COMMISSION] by the person against whom the civil
20 penalty is assessed. However, the imposition of the penalties prescribed in this section
21 does not excuse the person from filing reports required by AS 24.60.200.

22 * **Sec. 48.** AS 24.60.250 is amended to read:

23 **Sec. 24.60.250. Effect of failure to file.** (a) In addition to the sanctions
24 described in AS 24.60.260, if the division of elections [ALASKA PUBLIC OFFICES
25 COMMISSION] finds that a candidate for the legislature who is an incumbent
26 legislator has failed to file a report under AS 24.60.200 by March 15, the division of
27 elections [COMMISSION] shall notify the candidate that the report is late. If the
28 candidate fails to file the report within 30 days after it is due,

29 (1) the division of elections [COMMISSION] shall notify the lieutenant
30 governor;

31 (2) the candidate shall forfeit nomination to office and may not be

1 seated in office;

2 (3) the lieutenant governor may not certify the person's nomination for
3 office or election to office; and

4 (4) nomination to the office shall be certified as provided in
5 AS 39.50.060(b).

6 (b) In addition to the sanctions described in AS 24.60.260, if the **division of**
7 **elections** [ALASKA PUBLIC OFFICES COMMISSION] finds that a member of the
8 committee has failed or refused to file a report under AS 24.60.200 by a deadline
9 established in AS 24.60.210, it shall notify the presiding officer of the appropriate
10 legislative body. In the case of a public member of the committee, the **division of**
11 **elections** [COMMISSION] shall notify both presiding officers.

12 (c) In addition to the sanctions described in AS 24.60.260, if the **division of**
13 **elections** [ALASKA PUBLIC OFFICES COMMISSION] finds that a legislative
14 director has failed or refused to file a report under AS 24.60.200 by a deadline
15 established in AS 24.60.210, it shall notify the Alaska Legislative Council or the
16 Legislative Budget and Audit Committee, as appropriate. For the ombudsman, the
17 Alaska Legislative Council shall be notified.

18 * **Sec. 49.** AS 24.60.260(a) is amended to read:

19 (a) A person required to make a disclosure under this chapter may not
20 knowingly make a false or deliberately misleading or incomplete disclosure to the
21 committee or to the **division of elections** [ALASKA PUBLIC OFFICES
22 COMMISSION]. A person who files a disclosure after a deadline set by this chapter
23 or by a regulation adopted by the committee or by the **division of elections** [ALASKA
24 PUBLIC OFFICES COMMISSION] has violated this chapter and may be subject to
25 imposition of a fine as provided in (c) of this section or AS 24.60.240.

26 * **Sec. 50.** AS 24.60.260(b) is amended to read:

27 (b) A person who violates this section is subject to a proceeding under
28 AS 24.60.170 [,] in addition to penalties that may be imposed by the **division of**
29 **elections** [ALASKA PUBLIC OFFICES COMMISSION] under AS 24.60.240 and to
30 the penalty set out in AS 24.60.250.

31 * **Sec. 51.** AS 24.60.990(a)(11) is amended to read:

1 (11) "lobbyist" means a person who is required to register under
2 AS 24.45.041 and is described under AS 24.45.171(8)(A), but does not include a
3 volunteer lobbyist described in AS 24.45.161(a)(1) or a representational lobbyist as
4 defined under regulations of the division of elections [ALASKA PUBLIC OFFICES
5 COMMISSION];

6 * **Sec. 52.** AS 39.50.020(b) is amended to read:

7 (b) A public official other than an elected or appointed municipal officer shall
8 file the statement with the division of elections [ALASKA PUBLIC OFFICES
9 COMMISSION]. Candidates for the office of governor and lieutenant governor and,
10 if the candidate is not subject to AS 24.60, the legislature shall file the statement under
11 AS 15.25.030 or 15.25.180. Municipal officers, and candidates for elective municipal
12 office, shall file with the municipal clerk or other municipal official designated to
13 receive their filing for office. All statements required to be filed under this chapter are
14 public records.

15 * **Sec. 53.** AS 39.50.030(e) is amended to read:

16 (e) If a public official required to disclose a close economic association under
17 (d) of this section forms a close economic association after the date on which the
18 public official files the financial disclosure statement required by (a) of this section,
19 disclosure of the association must be made to the division of elections
20 [COMMISSION] within 60 days after the formation of the association.

21 * **Sec. 54.** AS 39.50.050(a) is amended to read:

22 (a) The division of elections [ALASKA PUBLIC OFFICES COMMISSION
23 CREATED UNDER AS 15.13.020(a)] shall administer the provisions of this chapter.
24 The division [COMMISSION] shall prepare and keep available for distribution [,]
25 standardized forms on which the reports required by this chapter shall be filed.

26 * **Sec. 55.** AS 39.50.050(b) is amended to read:

27 (b) The division [COMMISSION] shall adopt regulations to implement and
28 interpret the provisions of this chapter. Regulations or interpretation shall be within the
29 intent and purpose of this chapter and are subject to judicial review under the
30 Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62).

31 * **Sec. 56.** AS 39.50.135 is amended to read:

1 **Sec. 39.50.135. Civil penalty: Late filing of required reports.** A person who
 2 fails to file a properly completed and certified report within the time required by this
 3 chapter is subject to a civil penalty of not more than \$10 a day for each day the
 4 delinquency continues as the **division of elections** [COMMISSION] determines subject
 5 to appeal to the superior court. An affidavit stating facts in mitigation may be
 6 submitted to the **division** [COMMISSION] by a person against whom a civil penalty
 7 is assessed. However, the imposition of the penalties prescribed in this section or in
 8 AS 39.50.060 - 39.50.130 does not excuse that person from filing reports required by
 9 this chapter.

10 * **Sec. 57.** AS 39.50.200(a) is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

11 (11) "division" means the division of elections.

12 * **Sec. 58.** AS 39.52.180(d) is amended to read:

13 (d) A former governor, lieutenant governor, or head of a principal department
 14 in the executive branch may not engage in activity as a lobbyist under AS 24.45 for
 15 a period of one year after leaving service as the governor, lieutenant governor, or
 16 department head, as appropriate. This subsection does not prohibit service as a
 17 volunteer lobbyist described in AS 24.45.161(a)(1) or a representational lobbyist
 18 as defined under regulations of the **division of elections** [ALASKA PUBLIC OFFICES
 19 COMMISSION].

20 * **Sec. 59.** AS 39.52.340(a) is amended to read:

21 (a) Except as provided in AS 39.52.335, before the initiation of formal
 22 proceedings under AS 39.52.350, the complaint and all other documents and
 23 information regarding an investigation conducted under this chapter or obtained by the
 24 attorney general during the investigation are confidential and not subject to inspection
 25 by the public. In the case of a complaint concerning the governor, lieutenant governor,
 26 or attorney general, all meetings of the personnel board concerning the complaint and
 27 investigation before the determination of probable cause are closed to the public. If,
 28 in the course of an investigation or probable cause determination, the attorney general
 29 finds evidence of probable criminal activity, the attorney general shall transmit a
 30 statement and factual findings limited to that activity to the appropriate law
 31 enforcement agency. [IF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL FINDS EVIDENCE OF A

1 PROBABLE VIOLATION OF AS 15.13, THE ATTORNEY GENERAL SHALL
 2 TRANSMIT A STATEMENT TO THAT EFFECT AND FACTUAL FINDINGS
 3 LIMITED TO THE PROBABLE VIOLATION TO THE ALASKA PUBLIC OFFICES
 4 COMMISSION.] The attorney general and all persons contacted during the course of
 5 an investigation shall maintain confidentiality regarding the existence of the
 6 investigation.

7 * **Sec. 60.** AS 45.68.120(a) is amended to read:

8 (a) Registration is not required under AS 45.68.010 for

9 (1) a church or religious organization that is exempt from filing a
 10 federal annual information return under 26 U.S.C. 6033(a)(2)(A);

11 (2) a candidate for national, state, or local office, and a political party
 12 or other committee or group if the candidate, party, committee, or group is required
 13 to file **a full disclosure report under AS 15.13.025 or** financial information [WITH
 14 THE ALASKA PUBLIC OFFICES COMMISSION UNDER AS 15.13 OR] with the
 15 Federal Election Commission under 2 U.S.C. 431 - 456 (Federal Election Campaign
 16 Act);

17 (3) a charitable organization that does not intend to raise or receive
 18 contributions, excluding government grants, in excess of \$5,000 during a fiscal year
 19 of the charitable organization, or that does not intend to receive contributions from
 20 more than 10 persons during a fiscal year of the charitable organization if, in either
 21 situation,

22 (A) all of the organization's functions, including solicitation, are
 23 performed by persons who are not paid for their services; and

24 (B) an officer or member of the organization is not paid or does
 25 not otherwise receive all or a part of the assets or income of the charitable
 26 organization;

27 (4) a person or municipality who has a permit under AS 05.15.100.

28 * **Sec. 61.** AS 15.13.010(a)(2), 15.13.020, 15.13.030, 15.13.040, 15.13.045, 15.13.050(b),
 29 15.13.065, 15.13.070, 15.13.072, 15.13.074, 15.13.076, 15.13.078, 15.13.080, 15.13.082,
 30 15.13.084, 15.13.086, 15.13.090, 15.13.095, 15.13.100, 15.13.110, 15.13.112, 15.13.114,
 31 15.13.116, 15.13.120, 15.13.122, 15.13.125, 15.13.135, 15.13.140, 15.13.145, 15.13.150,

- 1 15.13.155, 15.13.400(2), 15.13.400(7); AS 39.25.120(c)(16); AS 39.50.200(a)(3),
- 2 39.50.200(b)(8); AS 43.05.085; and AS 44.62.330(a)(39) are repealed.