

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 305(STA)

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BY THE SENATE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

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Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES MEYER, Chenault, Fairclough, Olson, Neuman, Ramras, Roses, Stoltze

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to campaign fund raising during a regular or special legislative session;**
2 **and providing for an effective date."**

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

4 *** Section 1.** AS 15.13.072(d) is repealed and reenacted to read:

5 (d) While the legislature is convened in a regular or special legislative session,
6 a legislator may not solicit or accept a contribution to be used for the purpose of
7 influencing the outcome of an election under this chapter unless

8 (1) it is an election in which the legislator is a candidate and the
9 contribution is for that legislator's campaign;

10 (2) the solicitation or acceptance occurs during the 90 days
11 immediately preceding that election; and

12 (3) the solicitation or acceptance occurs in a place other than the
13 capital city or a municipality in which the legislature is convened in special session if
14 the legislature is convened in a municipality other than the capital city.

1 * **Sec. 2.** AS 24.60.031(a) is amended to read:

2 (a) A [LEGISLATOR OR] legislative employee may not

3 (1) on a day when either house of the legislature is in regular or special
4 session, solicit or accept a contribution or a promise or pledge to make a contribution
5 for a campaign for state or municipal office [THE STATE LEGISLATURE];
6 however, a [LEGISLATOR OR] legislative employee may, except in the capital city
7 or in the municipality in which the legislature is convened in special session if the
8 legislature is convened in a municipality other than the capital city, solicit or
9 accept a contribution, promise, or pledge for a campaign for state or municipal office
10 [THE STATE LEGISLATURE] that occurs during the 90 days immediately preceding
11 the [AN] election for that office; or

12 (2) accept money from an event held on a day when either house of the
13 legislature is in regular or special session if a substantial purpose of the event is to
14 raise money on behalf of the [MEMBER OR] legislative employee for [STATE
15 LEGISLATIVE] political purposes; however, this paragraph does not prohibit a
16 [LEGISLATOR OR] legislative employee from accepting money from an event held
17 in a place other than the capital city or a municipality in which the legislature is
18 convened in special session if the legislature is convened in a municipality other
19 than the capital city during the 90 days immediately preceding an election for state
20 or municipal public office in which the legislative employee is a candidate [; OR

21 (3) IN A CAMPAIGN FOR THE STATE LEGISLATURE, EXPEND
22 MONEY THAT WAS RAISED ON A DAY WHEN EITHER HOUSE OF THE
23 LEGISLATURE WAS IN A LEGISLATIVE SESSION BY OR ON BEHALF OF A
24 LEGISLATOR UNDER A DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY OR A GENERAL
25 LETTER OF INTENT TO BECOME A CANDIDATE FOR PUBLIC OFFICE;
26 HOWEVER, THIS PARAGRAPH DOES NOT APPLY TO MONEY RAISED IN A
27 PLACE OTHER THAN THE CAPITAL CITY DURING THE 90 DAYS
28 IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING AN ELECTION].

29 * **Sec. 3.** AS 24.60.031 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

30 (c) A legislator may not

31 (1) on a day when either house of the legislature is in regular or special

1 session, solicit or accept a contribution or a promise or pledge to make a contribution

2 (A) for the legislator's own campaign for state or municipal
3 public office, unless the solicitation, acceptance, promise, or pledge occurs in a
4 place other than the capital city or a municipality in which the legislature is
5 convened in special session if the legislature is convened in a municipality
6 other than the capital city during the 90 days immediately preceding the
7 election in which the legislator is a candidate;

8 (B) for another candidate in an election for municipal, state, or
9 federal office;

10 (C) to influence a state ballot proposition or question; or

11 (D) for a political party;

12 (2) accept money from an event held on a day when either house of the
13 legislature is in regular or special session if a substantial purpose of the event is to
14 raise money on behalf of the legislator's campaign for state or municipal public office;
15 however, this paragraph does not prohibit a legislator from accepting money from an
16 event held in a place other than the capital city or a municipality in which the
17 legislature is convened in special session if the legislature is convened in a
18 municipality other than the capital city during the 90 days immediately preceding a
19 state or municipal election in which the legislator is a candidate; or

20 (3) in a campaign for state or municipal office, expend money that was
21 raised on a day when either house of the legislature was in a legislative session by or
22 on behalf of a legislator under a declaration of candidacy or a general letter of intent to
23 become a candidate for public office; however, this paragraph does not apply to
24 money raised in a place other than the capital city or a municipality in which the
25 legislature is convened in special session if the legislature is convened in a
26 municipality other than the capital city during the 90 days immediately preceding an
27 election in which the legislator is a candidate.

28 * **Sec. 4.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).