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SENATE BILL NO. 234

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act limiting use of campaign contributions and  
7 loans."

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

9 \* Section 1. AS 15.13 is amended by adding a new section to read:

10 Sec. 15.13.105. CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS AND LOANS. (a) Except  
11 as provided in (c) of this section, a candidate and the political  
12 committee of the candidate may not use funds contributed to the candi-  
13 date or the political committee of the candidate except to finance the  
14 political campaign of the candidate to whom the funds were contributed  
15 or to repay a loan made to the political campaign of the candidate.

16 (b) Except as provided in (c) of this section, a candidate and  
17 the political committee of the candidate may not use funds borrowed by  
18 the candidate or the political committee of the candidate except to  
19 finance the political campaign of the candidate for whom the funds  
20 were borrowed or to repay a loan to the political campaign of the  
21 candidate.

22 (c) Within 45 days after the general election or, if the candi-  
23 date was not nominated at the primary election, within 45 days after  
24 the primary election, a candidate shall dispose of campaign funds that  
25 are not spent during the campaign and are not encumbered for political  
26 campaign expenses by

27 (1) donating them to an organization that qualifies as a  
28 charitable organization under 26 U.S.C. 501(c); or

29 (2) if the candidate was elected, transferring them to an

1 account for the office and representational expenses of the office to  
2 which the candidate was elected.

3 (d) The candidate shall report to the commission the disposition  
4 of funds under (c) of this section.

5 \* Sec. 2. AS 15.13.120(a) is amended to read:

6 (a) A person who violates a provision of this chapter is guilty  
7 of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, is punishable by imprisonment  
8 for not more than one year or by a fine of not more than \$5,000. A  
9 violation includes but is not limited to any of the following acts or  
10 omissions:

11 (1) failing to make a statement or report required to be  
12 made under this chapter, or failing to make a statement or report at  
13 the time the statement or report is required to be made under this  
14 chapter;

15 (2) making a campaign contribution or expenditure which  
16 exceeds the limitations of AS 15.13.070(f);

17 (3) making a false statement or report under this chapter;

18 (4) giving or furnishing money to another person or group  
19 for the purpose of making a contribution or expenditure anonymously,  
20 in a fictitious name, or in the name of another, or contributing in  
21 violation of AS 15.13.070(d);

22 (5) making a communication to support or defeat a candidate  
23 without identification of sponsorship, in violation of AS 15.13.090;

24 (6) knowingly accepting a contribution in violation of  
25 AS 15.13.070;

26 (7) using campaign funds in violation of AS 15.13.105(a)  
27 and (b).

28 \* Sec. 3. AS 15.13.120 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

29 (i) A person who violates a provision of AS 15.13.105(c) or (d)

1 is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, is punishable by  
2 imprisonment for not more than one year and by a fine of \$5,000 or  
3 three times the amount of the violation, whichever is more.