VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2001 RECONVENED SESSION

CHAPTER 810

An Act to amend and reenact §§ 24.2-914 and 24.2-915 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act; reports of contributions and expenditures; filing methods and requirements.

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That §§ 24.2-914 and 24.2-915 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted as follows: § 24.2-914. Information to be included on report of contributions and expenditures.

A. The report required by this chapter shall be filed on a form prescribed by the State Board and shall include all contributions and expenditures. All completed forms shall be submitted in typed, printed, or legibly hand printed format or as provided in § 24.2-914.1. Reports required by this chapter shall be received by the State Board, local electoral board, or both, by the deadline for filing the report. The State Board shall provide instructions to filers for delivery of reports within the time periods prescribed by law. Persons submitting the forms shall do so subject to felony penalties for making false statements pursuant to § 24.2-1016.

B. The report of receipts shall include:

1. The total number of contributors, each of whom has contributed an aggregate of \$100 or less, including cash and in-kind contributions, as of the date of the report, and the total amount of contributions from all such contributors;

2. For each contributor who has contributed an aggregate of more than \$100, including cash and in-kind contributions, as of the date of the report, the name of the contributor, listed alphabetically, the address of the contributor, the occupation, including name of employer or principal business, and the principal place of business of the contributor, the amount of the contribution included in the schedule of receipts, the aggregate amount of contributor, the accupation of the contributor, the name of his employer or principal business, and the locality where employed or where his business is located. For each such contributor, other than an individual, the place of business and principal business activity of the contributor. For each such contributor that is a corporation or other entity other than an individual, it shall be sufficient to list the address of the contributor one time on the report of receipts.

C. The report of disbursements shall include all expenditures and give:

1. The name and address of the person paid;

2. A brief description of the purpose of the expenditure;

3. The name of the person contracting for or arranging the expenditure;

4. The amount of the expenditure; and

5. The date of the expenditure.

The report of disbursements shall itemize any expenditure made by credit card payment.

D. Each report for a candidate shall list separately those receipts and expenditures reported to the candidate or his treasurer by any person, political committee, or political party committee pursuant to § 24.2-907 and shall set forth in each instance the source of the information reported.

E. The report shall list separately all loans and, for each loan, shall give:

1. The date the loan was made;

2. The name and address of the person making the loan and any person who is a co-borrower, guarantor, or endorser of the loan;

3. The amount of the loan;

4. The date and amount of any repayment of the loan; and

5. For any loan or part of a loan which is forgiven by the lender, the amount forgiven listed as both a contribution and loan repayment.

§ 24.2-915. With whom candidates to file reports; responsibility for reporting.

Electronic reports shall be filed by candidates for nomination or election for statewide office and the General Assembly with the State Board. Nonelectronic reports for the General Assembly shall be filed with the State Board and with the electoral board of the locality where the candidate resides, except as otherwise provided in § 24.2-919. For any other office, candidates shall file with the electoral board of the locality in which the candidate resides.

It is the joint responsibility of the candidate and his treasurer that the report of a candidate be filed, that the report be in full and accurate detail, and that the report be received by the State Board, local electoral board, or both, by the deadline for filing the report. Any report to be filed with the State Board may be mailed *subject to the requirements of § 24.2-919 for certain large preelection contributions*. If

mailed, the report must be postmarked not later than the deadline for filing, except as provided in § 24.2-919 for certain large pre-election contributions shall be (i) received by the State Board by the deadline for filing the report or (ii) transmitted to the State Board by telephonic transmission to a facsimile device by the deadline for filing the report with an original copy of the report mailed to the State Board and postmarked by the deadline for filing the report.