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SENATE BILL NO. 687

Senate Amendments in [] — January 26, 1995

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 24.2-916, 24.2-917, 24.2-919, 24.2-922, and 24.2-923 of the Code of Virginia, relating to campaign finance disclosure reports.

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Referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That §§ 24.2-916, 24.2-917, 24.2-919, 24.2-922, and 24.2-923 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 24.2-916. Filing schedule for candidates for office generally.

A candidate for any office, other than as provided in § 24.2-917 for a local office to be filled at a May general election or in § 24.2-918 for certain special elections, shall file the prescribed reports of contributions and expenditures as follows:

1. Not later than July 15 in a nonelection year for the period January 1 through June 30;

2. Not later than January 15 following a nonelection year for the period July 1 through December 31;

3. In an election year, not later than April 15 for the period January 1 through March 31 and pursuant to subdivisions 4 through 9 of this section;

4. Not later than the eighth day before the June primary date complete through the thirteenth day before the primary date;

5. Not later than July 15 complete through June 30;

6. Not later than September 15 complete through August 31;

7. Not later than October [15 & 15] complete through September 30;

8. Not later than the eighth day before the November election date complete through the thirteenth day before the election date;

9. Not later than the thirtieth day after the November election date complete through the twenty-third day after the election date; and

10. Not later than January 15 following an election year complete through December 31, and then in accordance with subdivisions 1 and 2 or subdivisions 3 through 9, as appropriate, of this subsection until a final report is filed.

Any candidate shall also file the report of certain large pre-election contributions required by § 24.2-919, if applicable. The report required by subdivision 8 9 of this section shall not be applicable to political party committees.

§ 24.2-917. Filing schedule for candidates for offices filled at May general elections.

Any candidate for election to a local office to be filled at a May general election shall file the prescribed reports of contributions and expenditures as follows:

1. For municipal primary candidates only, not later than the eighth day before the primary date complete through the eleventh day before the primary;

2. Not later than the eighth day before the election date complete through the eleventh day before the election date;

3. Not later than June 15 of the election year complete through June 10;

4. Not later than July 15 of the election year complete through July 10 June 30; and

5. Not later than the following January 15 complete through December 31 and annually thereafter until a final report is filed as provided in § 24.2-920.

Any candidate shall also file the report of certain large pre-election contributions required by § 24.2-919, if applicable.

§ 24.2-919. Special report required of certain large preelection contributions.

A. Except as provided in subsection B, any single contribution of more than \$1,000 for a statewide office or more than \$500 for any other office, knowingly received or reported by the candidate or his treasurer on behalf of his candidacy (i) between the thirteenth day preceding a June primary and the primary date, (ii) between the thirteenth day preceding a November election date or and the election date, or (iii) between the eleventh day preceding any other election in which the individual is a candidate and the election day, shall be reported in writing within seventy-two hours; however, any such contribution received within the seventy-two hours prior to the election day shall be reported and a report thereof received no later than the day prior to the election. Statewide and General Assembly candidates shall file all reports required by this section with the State Board and with the electoral board

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60 of the locality where the candidate resides. Any candidate for a constitutional or local office shall file
61 such reports with the electoral board of the locality where the candidate resides. Any contribution
62 reported pursuant to this section shall also be reported on the first report required by this article after
63 any election.

64 B. The provisions of this subsection apply to any candidate for election to office in November who
65 is nominated by a political party by convention or any other method other than a primary. The report
66 requirements of subsection A shall be applicable except that the reporting period shall be from March 31
67 through and including the date of the convention or other nomination method.

68 § 24.2-922. Reports as conditions to qualification for office.

69 No person shall be permitted to qualify for any office, enter upon the duties thereof, or receive any
70 salary or emoluments therefrom until he has filed the reports required in subdivisions 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8
71 through 9 of § 24.2-916; subdivisions 1, 2 and 3 of § 24.2-917; and subdivisions B 1 and B 3 of
72 § 24.2-918, as applicable. No officer authorized by the laws of this Commonwealth to issue certificates
73 of election shall issue one to any person determined to be elected to any such office, until copies of the
74 reports cited above have been filed as required in this article.

75 § 24.2-923. Filing schedule for persons and political committees.

76 A. Persons and political committees shall file the prescribed reports of contributions and expenditures
77 with the State Board in accordance with the applicable schedule set out in §§ 24.2-916 through
78 24.2-919. The first filed report shall be complete for the entire period from the time the committee was
79 organized or contributions were received. A committee shall comply with the election year schedule for
80 each year in which it seeks to influence the outcome of the election. *Each political party committee for*
81 *a county, city, or local district which is required to file the prescribed reports shall also file the report*
82 *with the local electoral board for its jurisdiction.*

83 [2. That an emergency exists and this act is in force from its passage.]