
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATED TO CAMPAIGN FINANCE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. Section 11-323, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 "**§11-323 Organizational report, noncandidate committee.**

4 (a) The noncandidate committee organizational report shall
5 include:

6 (1) The committee's name, which shall incorporate the full
7 name of the sponsoring entity, if any. An acronym or
8 abbreviation may be used in other communications if
9 the acronym or abbreviation is commonly known or
10 clearly recognized by the general public. The
11 committee's name shall not include the name of a
12 candidate;

13 (2) The committee's address, including web page address,
14 if any;

15 (3) The area, scope, or jurisdiction of the committee;

16 (4) The name and address of the committee's sponsoring
17 entity. If the committee does not have a sponsoring



- 1 entity, the committee shall specify the trade,
2 profession, or primary interest of contributors to the
3 committee;
- 4 (5) The name, address, telephone number, occupation, and
5 principal place of business of the chairperson;
- 6 (6) The name, address, telephone number, occupation, and
7 principal place of business of the treasurer and any
8 other officers;
- 9 (7) An indication as to whether the committee was formed
10 to support or oppose a specific ballot question or
11 candidate and, if so, a brief description of the
12 question or the name of the candidate;
- 13 (8) An indication as to whether the committee is a
14 political party committee;
- 15 (9) The name, address, telephone number, occupation, and
16 principal place of business of the custodian of the
17 books and accounts;
- 18 (10) The name and address of the depository institution in
19 which the committee will maintain its campaign account
20 and each applicable account number; and



1 (11) A certification by the chairperson and treasurer of
2 the statements in the organizational report.

3 (b) Any change in information previously reported in the
4 organizational report, with the exception of subsection (a)(12),
5 shall be electronically filed with the commission within ten
6 days of the change being brought to the attention of the
7 committee chairperson or treasurer.

8 (c) Any noncandidate committee that violates this section
9 shall be subject to a minimum fine of \$1,000 per violation."

10 SECTION 2. Section 11-391, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
11 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

12 "(b) The fine for violation of this section, if assessed
13 by the commission, shall [~~not exceed \$25~~] be at least \$150 for
14 each advertisement that lacks the information required by this
15 section or provides prohibited information, and shall not exceed
16 [~~an aggregate amount of \$5,000.~~] twenty-five per cent of the
17 total expenditure for the advertisement lacking the proper
18 disclaimer."

19 SECTION 3. Section 11-393, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
20 amended by amending subsection (d) to read as follows:



1 "(d) Any noncandidate committee that violates this section
2 shall be subject to a minimum fine [~~under section 11-410.~~] of
3 \$1,000 per violation, not to exceed twenty-five per cent of the
4 total expenditure for the advertisement lacking the proper
5 disclaimer."

6 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
7 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

8 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2112.



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Report Title:

Campaign Finance; Advertisements; Noncandidate Committees;
Violations; Fines

Description:

Increases the amount of fines that may be assessed against a noncandidate committee for violations of organizational report requirements and the amount of fines that may be assessed for violations of advertisement disclaimer requirements. Effective 7/1/2112. (HD1)

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