

HB1351/345960/1

BY: Committee on Ways and Means

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 1351

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, strike line 3 in its entirety and substitute “and Payment of Expenses”; in line 8, after “processor;” insert “repealing the authority of a campaign finance entity to pay an expense of the campaign finance entity from funds other than a campaign account under certain circumstances; authorizing the State Board of Elections to impose a certain civil penalty for a certain violation of this Act; requiring the State Board to notify the responsible officers of each campaign finance entity on or before a certain date that the campaign finance entity must initiate the transfer of certain contributions to the designated campaign account of the campaign finance entity within a certain period of time; providing for the effective dates of this Act;”; in line 13, after “13-220(a)” insert “and (b) and 13-604.1(b)”; strike beginning with “contributions” in line 9 down through “processors” in line 10 and substitute “campaign finance”; and strike in their entirety lines 16 through 20, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 22, strike “A campaign finance entity, or a” and substitute “A”; in the same line, strike “the” and substitute “A”; in line 23, strike the comma; after line 29, insert:

“13-604.1.

(b) The State Board may impose a civil penalty in accordance with this section for the following violations:

(1) making a disbursement in a manner not authorized in § 13-218(b)(2), (c), and (d) of this title;

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(2) failure to maintain a campaign bank account as required in § 13–220(a) of this title;

(3) making a disbursement by a method not authorized in § 13–220(d) of this title;

(4) failure to maintain detailed and accurate account books and records as required in § 13–221 of this title;

(5) fund–raising during the General Assembly session in a manner not authorized in § 13–235 of this title;

(6) failure to report all contributions received and expenditures made as required in § 13–304(b) of this title;

(7) failure to include an authority line on campaign material as required in § 13–401 of this title;

(8) failure to retain a copy of campaign material as required in § 13–403 of this title; [or]

(9) failure to include a disclosure on online campaign material as required in § 13–401.1(b) of this title; OR

(10) FAILURE TO TRANSFER A CONTRIBUTION FROM THE ACCOUNT OF A THIRD–PARTY PAYMENT PROCESSOR IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 13–220(A)(4) OF THIS TITLE.”

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, after line 29, insert:

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“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before June 15, 2021, the State Board of Elections shall notify the responsible officers of each campaign finance entity by e-mail that, within 7 days after the effective date of Section 1 of this Act, the campaign finance entity must initiate the transfer of any contributions to the entity that are held in the account of a third-party payment processor on the effective date of Section 1 of this Act to the designated campaign account of the campaign finance entity.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 1 of this Act shall take effect July 1, 2021.”;

in line 30, strike “2.” and substitute “4.”; and in the same line, after “That” insert “, except as provided in Section 3 of this Act.”.