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BY: Senator Kittleman

AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 140, AS AMENDED

(First Reading File Bill - Committee Reprint)

On page 229, after line 37, insert:

"SECTION 46. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, before January 10, 2011:

- (a) No State funds, including any State funds appropriated to any local jurisdiction or municipality, may be expended for development, production, or distribution to the public of promotional or informational materials on behalf of State programs through billboard, magazine, newspaper, electronic, radio, or television media which bear the likeness or voice, or include the name, of a person who has filed a certificate of candidacy for statewide office with the State Board of Elections for an election to occur in calendar year 2010.
- (b) Any contracts or agreements authorizing distribution of materials or content subject to subsection (a) of this section or materials or content scheduled to run after a candidate has filed a certificate of candidacy shall be terminated for convenience or otherwise as authorized under the provisions of the State Finance and Procurement Article or otherwise and the materials or content shall be returned to the contracting agency.
- (c) This section does not apply to the use of locally derived revenues or to communications of any candidate for statewide office to the media that are directly connected to the performance of the duties of office essential to the protection of public welfare, health, or safety."

In Committee Amendment No. 185:

On page 229, in line 38, strike "46." and substitute "47.".

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On page 230, in line 6, strike "47." and substitute "48.".