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AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 951

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, strike beginning with "Political" in line 2 down through "Identification" in line 3 and substitute "Campaign Finance - Slates - Transfers of Funds"; in line 4, after "of" insert "requiring the treasurer of a slate to file an itemized statement of certain expenditures of the slate under certain circumstances;"; in line 8, after "transferred;" insert "prohibiting the transfer of funds between and among a slate and its candidate members unless the transfer is used exclusively to pay for joint campaign activities;"; strike beginning with "the" in line 9 down through "transfer" in line 11 and substitute "campaign finance"; and in line 25, after "Section" insert "13-201(e) and".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, after line 15, insert:

"13-201.

(e) (1) Any candidate, after filing the name of a treasurer as prescribed in subsection (a) of this section, may choose, at any time after the filing to join a group, combination or organization of candidates, commonly known as a "slate", at which time the candidate shall notify the board of the county or Baltimore City, or the State Board, with which his certificate of candidacy was filed in writing, of the fact that he has joined the slate and the date on which he did so. The treasurer of the slate shall report in the same manner as the treasurer of any political committee as prescribed in § 13-202 of this subtitle.

(2) IF A SLATE USES AN AGENT OR ENGAGES A CONSULTANT TO EXPEND FUNDS, THE TREASURER OF THE SLATE SHALL FILE AN ITEMIZED STATEMENT OF EACH EXPENDITURE AND BENEFICIARY ON A FORM PRESCRIBED BY THE STATE BOARD.".

(Over)

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, after line 18, insert:

“(G) NO FUNDS MAY BE TRANSFERRED BETWEEN AND AMONG A SLATE AND ITS CANDIDATE MEMBERS UNLESS THE TRANSFER IS USED EXCLUSIVELY TO PAY FOR JOINT CAMPAIGN ACTIVITIES.”.