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BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 740

(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 21, after "changes;" insert "requiring that not more than a certain amount of the funds in the Fair Campaign Financing Fund be transferred to the State Board of Elections for certain fiscal years for the purpose of implementing an online voter registration system; requiring that funds transferred from the Fair Campaign Financing Fund be used to pay certain costs that would otherwise be paid by local governments; requiring that any funds transferred from the Fair Campaign Financing Fund that are not used to implement an online voter registration system revert to the Fair Campaign Financing Fund;".

On page 2, after line 7, insert:

"BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

<u>Chapter 487 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2009, as amended by Chapter 484 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2010</u>
Section 38(a) and (c)

BY adding to

Chapter 487 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2009, as amended by Chapter 484 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2010 Section 38(l)".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 6, after line 3, insert:

"Chapter 487 of the Acts of 2009, as amended by Chapter 484 of the Acts of 2010

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SECTION 38. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law:

- (a) The General Assembly finds that the Fair Campaign Financing Fund established under § 15–103 of the Election Law Article cannot operate as originally contemplated.
- (c) A transfer under this section may not reduce the balance in the Fund below \$1,000,000.
- (L) (1) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012 AND FISCAL YEAR 2013, A CUMULATIVE SUM IN THE AMOUNT OF NOT MORE THAN \$250,000 OF THE BALANCE IN THE FUND SHALL BE TRANSFERRED TO THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF IMPLEMENTING AN ONLINE VOTER REGISTRATION SYSTEM.
- (2) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, FUNDS TRANSFERRED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE USED TO PAY COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH IMPLEMENTATION OF AN ONLINE VOTER REGISTRATION SYSTEM THAT WOULD OTHERWISE BE PAID BY LOCAL GOVERNMENTS.
- (3) ANY FUNDS TRANSFERRED FROM THE FAIR CAMPAIGN FINANCING FUND TO THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS UNDER THIS SUBSECTION THAT ARE NOT USED TO PAY THE COST OF IMPLEMENTING AN ONLINE VOTER REGISTRATION SYSTEM MAY NOT BE RETAINED BY THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND SHALL REVERT TO THE FAIR CAMPAIGN FINANCING FUND."