

State of Arizona
House of Representatives
Fiftieth Legislature
Second Regular Session
2012

HOUSE BILL 2282

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 16-915, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENSES.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:
2 Section 1. Section 16-915, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:
4 16-915. Contents of campaign finance reports
5 A. Each campaign finance report required by section 16-913 shall set
6 forth all of the following:
7 1. The amount of cash on hand at the beginning of the reporting
8 period.
9 2. For the reporting period and the election, the total amount of all
10 receipts and an itemized list of all receipts in the following categories,
11 together with the total of all receipts in each category:
12 (a) Contributions from individuals.
13 (b) Contributions from political committees.
14 (c) For a candidate's campaign committee, the candidate's contribution
15 or promise of personal monies, including loans guaranteed by the candidate.
16 (d) All other loans.
17 (e) Rebates, refunds and other offsets to operating expenditures.
18 (f) Dividends, interest and other forms of receipts.
19 (g) The value of in-kind contributions.
20 3. The identification of each:
21 (a) Individual who makes any contribution during the period covered by
22 the report AND whose total contribution or contributions for that election
23 have an aggregate amount exceeding ~~twenty-five~~ FIFTY dollars together with
24 the date and amount of the contributions, except as provided in subsection E
25 of this section. Contributions of ~~twenty-five~~ FIFTY dollars or less may be
26 aggregated.
27 (b) Political committee that makes a contribution during the period
28 covered by the report together with the date and amount of the contribution.
29 (c) Person who makes a loan during the period covered by the report,
30 together with the identification of any endorser or guarantor of the loan and
31 the amount endorsed or guaranteed by each, and the date and amount of the
32 loan.
33 (d) Person who provides any rebate, refund or other offset to
34 operating expenditures during the period covered by the report together with
35 the date and amount of the receipt.
36 (e) Person who provides a dividend, interest or other receipt during
37 the period covered by the report together with the date and amount of the
38 receipt.
39 4. For the reporting period and the election, the total amount of all
40 disbursements and an itemized list of all disbursements in the following
41 categories together with the total of all disbursements in each category:
42 (a) Expenditures, other than a contract, promise or agreement to make
43 an expenditure resulting in an extension of credit, made to meet committee
44 operating expenses.
45 (b) Transfers to other political committees.

- 1 (c) For a candidate's campaign committee, the repayment of loans made
2 or guaranteed by the candidate.
- 3 (d) Repayment of all other loans.
- 4 (e) Refunds of contributions received and other offsets to
5 contributions.
- 6 (f) Loans made by the reporting political committee.
- 7 (g) The value of in-kind contributions received.
- 8 (h) Independent expenditures together with the information required
9 pursuant to subsection F.
- 10 (i) Any other disbursements.
- 11 5. The name and address of each recipient of an expenditure made
12 during the period covered by the report and, in the case of a disbursement to
13 a political committee, the identification number issued on the filing of a
14 statement of organization as prescribed by section 16-902.01, together with
15 the date, THE amount of the expenditure and a clear description of the items
16 or services purchased.
- 17 6. An itemized account of the campaign debts and extensions of credit
18 that are owed by the candidate or political committee and that remain
19 outstanding including the name and address of the obligee or creditor, the
20 amount owed, whether the amount is certain or estimated and on what basis,
21 and the purpose of the obligation. An obligation that is itemized on a
22 campaign finance report shall be listed on all subsequent finance reports
23 until extinguished.
- 24 7. The total sum of all receipts, together with the total receipts
25 less offsets, and the total sum of all disbursements, together with the total
26 disbursements less offsets, for both the period covered by the report and the
27 election.
- 28 B. The amount of an in-kind contribution shall be equal to the usual
29 and normal value on the date received by the political committee as
30 determined by generally accepted accounting principles.
- 31 C. Campaign finance reports shall be cumulative for the election to
32 which they relate, but if there has been no change during the period covered
33 by a report in an item listed in a previous report for that election, only
34 the amount need be carried forward.
- 35 D. A candidate's campaign committee or a political committee that
36 makes contributions to candidates and that has received prior contributions
37 from an individual or a political committee for an election shall show in
38 each report for that election the cumulative total received from that source.
- 39 E. In the case of a political committee that receives contributions
40 through a payroll deduction plan, that committee is not required to
41 separately itemize each additional contribution received from the contributor
42 during the reporting period. In lieu of the separate itemization required by
43 subsection A, paragraph 2 of this section, the committee may report all of
44 the following:

1 1. The aggregate amount of contributions received from the contributor
2 through the payroll deduction plan during the reporting period.

3 2. The identification of the individual.

4 3. A statement of the amount deducted per pay period.

5 F. An independent expenditure report shall contain all of the
6 following:

7 1. The name and address of any person to whom an independent
8 expenditure was made.

9 2. The date and amount of the independent expenditure.

10 3. The purpose of the independent expenditure including a description
11 of what was purchased.

12 4. The name of each candidate whose election or defeat was advocated
13 by the expenditure and, for each such candidate, the office sought by the
14 candidate and the year of the election.

15 5. The names, occupations, employers and amount contributed by each of
16 the three contributors that contributed the most money within the preceding
17 six months provided that if any other contributor contributed the same amount
18 during this time period as any of the top three contributors the information
19 shall be provided for that contributor as well. If any of these contributors
20 is a political committee, the report shall include the names, occupations and
21 employers of the committee's chairman and treasurer.

22 6. Under penalty of perjury, a certification stating whether or not
23 the claimed independent expenditure is made in cooperation, consultation or
24 concert with or at the request or suggestion of any candidate or any campaign
25 committee or agent of that candidate.