

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

Offered By

AMEND House Bill No. 1979, Page 1, in the Title, Lines 2 and 3, by deleting the phrase "solely to registered lobbyists" and inserting in lieu thereof the phrase "to ethics"; and

Further amend said bill, Section 105.481, Page 2, Line 19, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

"115.349. 1. Except as otherwise provided in sections 115.361 to 115.383 or sections 115.755 to 115.785, no candidate's name shall be printed on any official primary ballot unless the candidate has filed a written declaration of candidacy in the office of the appropriate election official by 5:00 p.m. on the last Tuesday in March immediately preceding the primary election.

2. No declaration of candidacy for nomination in a primary election shall be accepted for filing prior to 8:00 a.m. on the last Tuesday in February immediately preceding the primary election.

3. Each declaration of candidacy for nomination in a primary election shall state the candidate's full name, residence address, office for which such candidate proposes to be a candidate, the party ticket on which he or she wishes to be a candidate and that if nominated and elected he or she will qualify. The declaration shall be in substantially the following form: I, _____, a resident and registered voter of the county of _____ and the state of Missouri, residing at _____, do announce myself a candidate for the office of _____ on the _____ party ticket, to be voted for at the primary election to be held on the ____ day of _____, ____, and I further declare that if nominated and elected to such office I will qualify.

I further declare that I am not a feigned candidate in order to conceal the candidacy of another or to divide the opposition. I acknowledge that my signature hereon may subject me to criminal prosecution and disciplinary action under the laws of this state if it is found by the ethics commission that I am a feigned candidate.

_____. Subscribed and sworn to Signature of candidate before me this _____ day

_____ of _____, _____

_____. Residence address _____ Signature of election official or other officer authorized to administer oaths

_____. Mailing address (if different) _____ Telephone Number _____
(Optional)

Standing Action Taken _____ Date _____

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1 If the declaration is to be filed in person, it shall be subscribed and sworn to by the candidate before
 2 an official authorized to accept his or her declaration of candidacy. If the declaration is to be filed
 3 by certified mail pursuant to the provisions of subsection 2 of section 115.355, it shall be subscribed
 4 and sworn to by the candidate before a notary public or other officer authorized by law to
 5 administer oaths.

6 115.635. The following offenses, and any others specifically so described by law, shall be
 7 class three election offenses and are deemed misdemeanors connected with the exercise of the right
 8 of suffrage. Conviction for any of these offenses shall be punished by imprisonment of not more
 9 than one year or by fine of not more than two thousand five hundred dollars, or by both such
 10 imprisonment and fine:

11 (1) Giving, lending, agreeing to give or lend, offering, promising, or endeavoring to
 12 procure, any money or valuable consideration, office, or place of employment, to or for any voter,
 13 to or for any person on behalf of any voter, or to or for any person, in order to induce any voter to
 14 vote or refrain from voting or corruptly doing any such act on account of such voter having already
 15 voted or refrained from voting at any election;

16 (2) Making use of, or threatening to make use of, any force, violence, or restraint, or
 17 inflicting or threatening to inflict any injury, damage, harm or loss upon or against any person, in
 18 order to induce or compel such person to vote or refrain from voting at any election;

19 (3) Impeding or preventing, or attempting to impede or prevent, by abduction, duress or any
 20 fraudulent device or contrivance, the free exercise of the franchise of any voter or, by abduction,
 21 duress, or any fraudulent device, compelling, inducing, or prevailing upon any voter to vote or
 22 refrain from voting at any election;

23 (4) Giving, or making an agreement to give, any money, property, right in action, or other
 24 gratuity or reward, in consideration of any grant or deputation of office;

25 (5) Bringing into this state any nonresident person with intent that such person shall vote at
 26 an election without possessing the requisite qualifications;

27 (6) Asking for, receiving, or taking any money or other reward by way of gift, loan, or other
 28 device or agreeing or contracting for any money, gift, office, employment, or other reward, for
 29 giving, or refraining from giving, his or her vote in any election;

30 (7) Removing, destroying or altering any supplies or information placed in or near a voting
 31 booth for the purpose of enabling a voter to prepare his or her ballot;

32 (8) Entering a voting booth or compartment except as specifically authorized by law;

33 (9) On the part of any election official, challenger, watcher or person assisting a person to
 34 vote, revealing or disclosing any information as to how any voter may have voted, indicated that the
 35 person had voted except as authorized by this chapter, indicated an intent to vote or offered to vote,
 36 except to a grand jury or pursuant to a lawful subpoena in a court proceeding relating to an election
 37 offense;

38 (10) On the part of any registration or election official, refusing to permit any person to
 39 register to vote or to vote when such official knows the person is legally entitled to register or
 40 legally entitled to vote;

41 (11) Attempting to commit or participating in an attempt to commit any class one or class
 42 two election offense;

43 (12) Giving, lending, agreeing to give or lend, offering, promising, or endeavoring to
 44 procure any money or valuable consideration with the intent of inducing any person to run for any
 45 such office in this state if the person has a name that is identical or similar to another candidate for
 46 the same elective public office and would not otherwise run for elective public office but for the
 47 inducement. Campaign donations made in accordance with the laws of this state shall not be
 48 construed to be an inducement to run for elective public office under this subdivision."; and

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- 2 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
- 3 accordingly.