

HB 2829 -- DISCLOSURE OF POLITICAL CAMPAIGN SERVICES

SPONSOR: Sparks

The bill requires quarterly reports to the Missouri Ethics Commission (MEC) of the total dollar amount of expenditures made for the purpose of procuring political consulting services.

The bill additionally provides that if a committee hires, retains, employs, or otherwise receives the services of a person who is a political consultant who has been convicted of a state or federal felony, the treasurer of such committee must file with the MEC an affidavit declaring that the committee has knowingly hired, retained, employed, or otherwise received the services of such person. The political consultant also has the affirmative obligation to inform the committee of any felony conviction and failure to do so is punishable as a class B misdemeanor. The Attorney General has concurrent jurisdiction with any prosecuting attorney or circuit attorney to prosecute under this provision.

The MEC is required to maintain a list of political consultants who have been hired, retained, employed, or otherwise provided services to a committee and who have been convicted of a state or federal felony. Such list will be made publicly available in a searchable format on the commission's website.

This bill is the same as SB 1452 (2024).