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**STATE OF MICHIGAN  
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REGULAR SESSION OF 2013**

Introduced by Senator Robertson

# **ENROLLED SENATE BILL No. 441**

AN ACT to amend 1976 PA 388, entitled “An act to regulate political activity; to regulate campaign financing; to restrict campaign contributions and expenditures; to require campaign statements and reports; to regulate anonymous contributions; to regulate campaign advertising and literature; to provide for segregated funds for political purposes; to provide for the use of public funds for political purposes; to create certain funds; to provide for reversion, retention, or refunding of unexpended balances in certain funds; to require other statements and reports; to regulate acceptance of certain gifts, payments, and reimbursements; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state departments and state and local officials and employees; to provide appropriations; to prescribe penalties and provide remedies; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts,” (MCL 169.201 to 169.282) by adding section 18a.

*The People of the State of Michigan enact:*

Sec. 18a. (1) A county clerk may adopt an electronic filing and internet disclosure system developed or approved by the secretary of state that permits committees that are required to file statements or reports under this act with the county clerk to file those statements or reports electronically and that provides internet disclosure of electronically filed statements or reports on a website. If the secretary of state develops an internet disclosure system, the secretary of state shall not charge a county clerk for the software for that system.

(2) A county clerk who adopts a system under subsection (1) may require each committee that received or expended the threshold amount set by the county clerk as provided in this subsection in the preceding calendar year or expects to receive or expend the threshold amount set by the county clerk in the current calendar year to file campaign statements or reports electronically. A county clerk shall set the threshold under this subsection at \$5,000.00 or \$1,500.00.

(3) A county clerk who adopts a system under subsection (1) shall permit a committee to electronically file statements and reports required under this act, as described in subsection (1), except an original statement of organization, after the committee treasurer and, for a candidate committee, the candidate has signed and filed a form designed by the secretary of state to serve as the signature verifying the accuracy and completeness of each statement or report filed electronically.

(4) If a committee was not required to file a campaign statement under subsection (2) only because it did not meet the applicable threshold, but the committee later reaches that threshold, the committee shall notify the county clerk within 10 business days after reaching that threshold and shall subsequently file electronically all statements and reports required under this act.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

*Carol Morey Viventi*

Secretary of the Senate

*Gay E. Randall*

Clerk of the House of Representatives

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Governor