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FISCAL IMPACT

Drafting Number: LLS 12-0680 **Date:** February 14, 2012 **Prime Sponsor(s):** Rep. Kerr J. **Bill Status:** House SVMA

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TITLE:

CONCERNING THE THRESHOLD AMOUNT OF CAMPAIGN ACTIVITY BY A CANDIDATE COMMITTEE IN CONNECTION WITH A SPECIAL DISTRICT ELECTION THAT TRIGGERS DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS UNDER THE "FAIR

CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT".

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2012-2013	FY 2013-2014	
State Revenue			
State Expenditures Cash Funds Department of State Cash Fund		Minimal increase. See State Expenditures section.	
FTE Position Change			

Effective Date: August 8, 2012, if the General Assembly adjourns on May 9, 2012, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed. The bill applies to the portion of any election cycle remaining on the effective date and any election cycle commencing after this date.

Appropriation Summary for FY 2012-2013: None required.

Local Government Impact: None.

Summary of Legislation

The bill increases the amount that a candidate committee in a special district election must spend or receive from \$20 to \$200 to trigger the filing of campaign finance reports under the Fair Campaign Practices Act.

State Expenditures

The bill may result in a small decrease in the number of candidate committees required to file with the Secretary of State, but this change is not expected to significantly impact the workload related to campaign finance filings. The Department of State may have a minimal increase in workload to review forms and training material concerning campaign finance filings. No change in appropriations is required at this time.

Departments Contacted