

## ARTICLE 6

## CAMPAIGN FINANCE

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146.3 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.01, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

146.4 Subd. 5. **Associated business.** "Associated business" means an association, corporation,  
146.5 partnership, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or other organized legal  
146.6 entity from which the individual or the individual's spouse receives compensation in excess  
146.7 of \$250, except for actual and reasonable expenses, in any month during the reporting period  
146.8 as a director, officer, owner, member, partner, employer or employee, or whose securities  
146.9 the individual or the individual's spouse holds worth more than \$10,000 at fair market value.

146.10 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.01, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
146.11 read:

146.12 Subd. 12a. **Designated lobbyist.** "Designated lobbyist" means the lobbyist responsible  
146.13 for reporting the lobbying disbursements and activity of the entity the lobbyist represents.

146.14 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.01, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
146.15 read:

146.16 Subd. 17d. **General lobbying category.** "General lobbying category" means an area of  
146.17 interest for lobbying for an entity that is on a list of categories specified by the board.

146.18 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.01, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
146.19 read:

146.20 Subd. 19a. **Legislative action.** "Legislative action" means any of the following:

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2.4 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.01, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

2.5 Subd. 5. **Associated business.** (a) "Associated business" means an association,  
2.6 corporation, partnership, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or other  
2.7 organized legal entity from which the individual or the individual's spouse receives  
2.8 compensation in excess of \$250, except for actual and reasonable expenses, in any month  
2.9 during the reporting period as a director, officer, owner, member, partner, employer or  
2.10 employee, or whose securities the individual or the individual's spouse holds worth more  
2.11 than \$10,000 at fair market value.

2.12 (b) Associated business also means a lobbyist, principal, or interested person by whom  
2.13 the individual is compensated in excess of \$250, except for actual and reasonable expenses,  
2.14 in any month for providing services as an independent contractor or consultant. If an  
2.15 individual is compensated by a person or association for providing services to a lobbyist,  
2.16 principal, or interested person, associated business includes both the person or association  
2.17 that pays the compensation and the lobbyist, principal, or interested person to whom the  
2.18 services are provided.

2.19 (c) "Interested person" means a person or a representative of a person or association that  
2.20 has a direct financial interest in a decision that the individual receiving the compensation  
2.21 is authorized to make as a public or local official or will be authorized to make upon  
2.22 becoming a public or local official. To be direct, the financial interest of the person or  
2.23 association paying the compensation to the individual must be of greater consequence to  
2.24 the payer than the general interest of other residents or taxpayers of the individual's  
2.25 governmental unit.

2.26 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.01, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
2.27 read:

2.28 Subd. 12a. **Designated lobbyist.** "Designated lobbyist" means the lobbyist responsible  
2.29 for reporting the lobbying disbursements and activity of the entity the lobbyist represents.

3.1 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.01, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
3.2 read:

3.3 Subd. 17d. **General lobbying category.** "General lobbying category" means an area of  
3.4 interest for lobbying for an entity that is on a list of categories specified by the board.

3.5 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.01, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
3.6 read:

3.7 Subd. 19a. **Legislative action.** "Legislative action" means any of the following:

146.21 (1) the development of prospective legislation, including the development of amendment  
 146.22 language to prospective legislation;

146.23 (2) the review, modification, adoption, or rejection by a member of the legislature or an  
 146.24 employee of the legislature, if applicable, of any (i) bill, (ii) amendment, (iii) resolution,  
 146.25 (iv) confirmation considered by the legislature, or (v) report;

146.26 (3) the development of, in conjunction with a constitutional officer, prospective legislation  
 146.27 or a request for support or opposition to introduced legislation; and

146.28 (4) the action of the governor in approving or vetoing any act of the legislature or portion  
 146.29 of an act of the legislature.

147.1 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.01, subdivision 21, is amended to read:

147.2 Subd. 21. **Lobbyist.** (a) "Lobbyist" means an individual:

147.3 (1) engaged for pay or other consideration of more than \$3,000 from all sources in any  
 147.4 year:

147.5 (i) for the purpose of attempting to influence legislative or administrative action, or the  
 147.6 official action of a metropolitan governmental unit political subdivision, by communicating  
 147.7 or urging others to communicate with public or local officials; or

147.8 (ii) from a business whose primary source of revenue is derived from facilitating  
 147.9 government relations or government affairs services between two third parties if the  
 147.10 individual's job duties include offering direct or indirect consulting or advice that helps the  
 147.11 business provide those services to clients; or

147.12 (2) who spends more than ~~\$250~~ \$3,000 of the individual's personal funds, not including  
 147.13 the individual's own traveling expenses and membership dues, in any year for the purpose  
 147.14 of attempting to influence legislative or administrative action, or the official action of a  
 147.15 metropolitan governmental unit political subdivision, by communicating or urging others  
 147.16 to communicate with public or local officials.

147.17 (b) "Lobbyist" does not include:

147.18 (1) a public official;

147.19 (2) an employee of the state, including an employee of any of the public higher education  
 147.20 systems;

147.21 (3) an elected local official;

147.22 (4) a nonelected local official or an employee of a political subdivision acting in an  
 147.23 official capacity, unless the nonelected official or employee of a political subdivision spends  
 147.24 more than 50 hours in any month attempting to influence legislative or administrative action,  
 147.25 or the official action of a metropolitan governmental unit political subdivision other than  
 147.26 the political subdivision employing the official or employee, by communicating or urging

3.8 (1) the development of prospective legislation, including the development of amendment  
 3.9 language to prospective legislation;

3.10 (2) the review, modification, adoption, or rejection by a member of the legislature or an  
 3.11 employee of the legislature, if applicable, of any (i) bill, (ii) amendment, (iii) resolution,  
 3.12 (iv) confirmation considered by the legislature, or (v) report;

3.13 (3) the development of, in conjunction with a constitutional officer, prospective legislation  
 3.14 or a request for support or opposition to introduced legislation; and

3.15 (4) the action of the governor in approving or vetoing any act of the legislature or portion  
 3.16 of an act of the legislature.

3.17 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.01, subdivision 21, is amended to read:

3.18 Subd. 21. **Lobbyist.** (a) "Lobbyist" means an individual:

3.19 (1) engaged for pay or other consideration of more than \$3,000 from all sources in any  
 3.20 year:

3.21 (i) for the purpose of attempting to influence legislative or administrative action, or the  
 3.22 official action of a metropolitan governmental unit, by communicating or urging others to  
 3.23 communicate with public or local officials; or

3.24 (ii) from a business whose primary source of revenue is derived from facilitating  
 3.25 government relations or government affairs services between two third parties, if the  
 3.26 individual's job duties include offering direct or indirect consulting or advice that helps the  
 3.27 business provide those services to clients; or

3.28 (2) who spends more than ~~\$250~~ \$3,000 of the individual's personal funds, not including  
 3.29 the individual's own traveling expenses and membership dues, in any year for the purpose  
 3.30 of attempting to influence legislative or administrative action, or the official action of a  
 4.1 metropolitan governmental unit, by communicating or urging others to communicate with  
 4.2 public or local officials.

4.3 (b) "Lobbyist" does not include:

4.4 (1) a public official;

4.5 (2) an employee of the state, including an employee of any of the public higher education  
 4.6 systems;

4.7 (3) an elected local official;

4.8 (4) a nonelected local official or an employee of a political subdivision acting in an  
 4.9 official capacity, unless the nonelected official or employee of a political subdivision spends  
 4.10 more than 50 hours in any month attempting to influence legislative or administrative action,  
 4.11 or the official action of a metropolitan governmental unit other than the political subdivision  
 4.12 employing the official or employee, by communicating or urging others to communicate

147.27 others to communicate with public or local officials, including time spent monitoring  
 147.28 legislative or administrative action, or the official action of a ~~metropolitan governmental~~  
 147.29 ~~unit political subdivision~~, and related research, analysis, and compilation and dissemination  
 147.30 of information relating to legislative or administrative policy in this state, or to the policies  
 147.31 of ~~metropolitan governmental units political subdivisions~~;

148.1 (5) a party or the party's representative appearing in a proceeding before a state board,  
 148.2 commission, or agency of the executive branch unless the board, commission, or agency is  
 148.3 taking administrative action;

148.4 (6) an individual while engaged in selling goods or services to be paid for by public  
 148.5 funds;

148.6 (7) a news medium or its employees or agents while engaged in the publishing or  
 148.7 broadcasting of news items, editorial comments, or paid advertisements which directly or  
 148.8 indirectly urge official action;

148.9 (8) a paid expert witness whose testimony is requested by the body before which the  
 148.10 witness is appearing, but only to the extent of preparing or delivering testimony; or

148.11 (9) a party or the party's representative appearing to present a claim to the legislature  
 148.12 and communicating to legislators only by the filing of a claim form and supporting documents  
 148.13 and by appearing at public hearings on the claim.

148.14 (c) An individual who volunteers personal time to work without pay or other consideration  
 148.15 on a lobbying campaign, and who does not spend more than the limit in paragraph (a), clause  
 148.16 (2), need not register as a lobbyist.

148.17 (d) An individual who provides administrative support to a lobbyist and whose salary  
 148.18 and administrative expenses attributable to lobbying activities are reported as lobbying  
 148.19 expenses by the lobbyist, but who does not communicate or urge others to communicate  
 148.20 with public or local officials, need not register as a lobbyist.

4.13 with public or local officials, including time spent monitoring legislative or administrative  
 4.14 action, or the official action of a ~~metropolitan governmental unit~~, and related research,  
 4.15 analysis, and compilation and dissemination of information relating to legislative or  
 4.16 administrative policy in this state, or to the policies of ~~metropolitan governmental units~~;

4.17 (5) a party or the party's representative appearing in a proceeding before a state board,  
 4.18 commission, or agency of the executive branch unless the board, commission, or agency is  
 4.19 taking administrative action;

4.20 (6) an individual while engaged in selling goods or services to be paid for by public  
 4.21 funds;

4.22 (7) a news medium or its employees or agents while engaged in the publishing or  
 4.23 broadcasting of news items, editorial comments, or paid advertisements which directly or  
 4.24 indirectly urge official action;

4.25 (8) a paid expert witness whose testimony is requested by the body before which the  
 4.26 witness is appearing, but only to the extent of preparing or delivering testimony; or

4.27 (9) a party or the party's representative appearing to present a claim to the legislature  
 4.28 and communicating to legislators only by the filing of a claim form and supporting documents  
 4.29 and by appearing at public hearings on the claim.

4.30 (c) An individual who volunteers personal time to work without pay or other consideration  
 4.31 on a lobbying campaign, and who does not spend more than the limit in paragraph (a), clause  
 4.32 (2), need not register as a lobbyist.

5.1 (d) An individual who provides administrative support to a lobbyist and whose salary  
 5.2 and administrative expenses attributable to lobbying activities are reported as lobbying  
 5.3 expenses by the lobbyist, but who does not communicate or urge others to communicate  
 5.4 with public or local officials, need not register as a lobbyist.

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98.20 Sec. 2. ~~Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.01, subdivision 21, is amended to read:~~

98.21 Subd. 21. **Lobbyist.** (a) "Lobbyist" means an individual:

98.22 (1) engaged for pay or other consideration of more than \$3,000 from all sources in any  
 98.23 year:

98.24 (i) for the purpose of attempting to influence legislative or administrative action, or the  
 98.25 official action of a ~~metropolitan governmental unit political subdivision~~, by communicating  
 98.26 or urging others to communicate with public or local officials; or

98.27 (ii) from a business whose primary source of revenue is derived from facilitating  
 98.28 government relations or government affairs services between two third parties; or

- 98.29 (2) who spends more than \$250, not including the individual's own traveling expenses  
 98.30 and membership dues, in any year for the purpose of attempting to influence legislative or  
 98.31 administrative action, or the official action of a metropolitan governmental unit political  
 98.32 subdivision, by communicating or urging others to communicate with public or local officials.
- 99.1 (b) "Lobbyist" does not include:
- 99.2 (1) a public official;
- 99.3 (2) an employee of the state, including an employee of any of the public higher education  
 99.4 systems;
- 99.5 (3) an elected local official;
- 99.6 (4) a nonelected local official or an employee of a political subdivision acting in an  
 99.7 official capacity, unless the nonelected official or employee of a political subdivision spends  
 99.8 more than 50 hours in any month attempting to influence legislative or administrative action,  
 99.9 or the official action of a metropolitan governmental unit political subdivision other than  
 99.10 the political subdivision employing the official or employee, by communicating or urging  
 99.11 others to communicate with public or local officials, including time spent monitoring  
 99.12 legislative or administrative action, or the official action of a metropolitan governmental  
 99.13 unit political subdivision, and related research, analysis, and compilation and dissemination  
 99.14 of information relating to legislative or administrative policy in this state, or to the policies  
 99.15 of metropolitan governmental units political subdivisions;
- 99.16 (5) a party or the party's representative appearing in a proceeding before a state board,  
 99.17 commission, or agency of the executive branch unless the board, commission, or agency is  
 99.18 taking administrative action;
- 99.19 (6) an individual while engaged in selling goods or services to be paid for by public  
 99.20 funds;
- 99.21 (7) a news medium or its employees or agents while engaged in the publishing or  
 99.22 broadcasting of news items, editorial comments, or paid advertisements which directly or  
 99.23 indirectly urge official action;
- 99.24 (8) a paid expert witness whose testimony is requested by the body before which the  
 99.25 witness is appearing, but only to the extent of preparing or delivering testimony; or
- 99.26 (9) a party or the party's representative appearing to present a claim to the legislature  
 99.27 and communicating to legislators only by the filing of a claim form and supporting documents  
 99.28 and by appearing at public hearings on the claim.
- 99.29 (c) An individual who volunteers personal time to work without pay or other consideration  
 99.30 on a lobbying campaign, and who does not spend more than the limit in paragraph (a), clause  
 99.31 (2), need not register as a lobbyist.

148.21 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.01, subdivision 26, is amended to read:

148.22 Subd. 26. **Noncampaign disbursement.** (a) "Noncampaign disbursement" means a  
148.23 purchase or payment of money or anything of value made, or an advance of credit incurred,  
148.24 or a donation in kind received, by a principal campaign committee for any of the following  
148.25 purposes:

148.26 (1) payment for accounting and legal services;

148.27 (2) return of a contribution to the source;

148.28 (3) repayment of a loan made to the principal campaign committee by that committee;

148.29 (4) return of a public subsidy;

148.30 (5) payment for food, beverages, and necessary utensils and supplies, entertainment,  
148.31 and facility rental for a fundraising event;

149.1 (6) services for a constituent by a member of the legislature or a constitutional officer  
149.2 in the executive branch as provided in section 10A.173, subdivision 1;

149.3 (7) payment for food and beverages consumed by a candidate or volunteers while they  
149.4 are engaged in campaign activities;

149.5 (8) payment for food or a beverage consumed while attending a reception or meeting  
149.6 directly related to legislative duties;

149.7 (9) payment of expenses incurred by elected or appointed leaders of a legislative caucus  
149.8 in carrying out their leadership responsibilities;

149.9 (10) payment by a principal campaign committee of the candidate's expenses for serving  
149.10 in public office, other than for personal uses;

149.11 (11) costs of child care for the candidate's children when campaigning;

149.12 (12) fees paid to attend a campaign school;

149.13 (13) costs of a postelection party during the election year when a candidate's name will  
149.14 no longer appear on a ballot or the general election is concluded, whichever occurs first;

149.15 (14) interest on loans paid by a principal campaign committee on outstanding loans;

100.1 (d) An individual who provides administrative support to a lobbyist and whose salary  
100.2 and administrative expenses attributable to lobbying activities are reported as lobbying  
100.3 expenses by the lobbyist, but who does not communicate or urge others to communicate  
100.4 with public or local officials, need not register as a lobbyist.

100.5 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2024.

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5.5 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.01, subdivision 26, is amended to read:

5.6 Subd. 26. **Noncampaign disbursement.** (a) "Noncampaign disbursement" means a  
5.7 purchase or payment of money or anything of value made, or an advance of credit incurred,  
5.8 or a donation in kind received, by a principal campaign committee for any of the following  
5.9 purposes:

5.10 (1) payment for accounting and legal services;

5.11 (2) return of a contribution to the source;

5.12 (3) repayment of a loan made to the principal campaign committee by that committee;

5.13 (4) return of a public subsidy;

5.14 (5) payment for food, beverages, and necessary utensils and supplies, entertainment,  
5.15 and facility rental for a fundraising event;

5.16 (6) services for a constituent by a member of the legislature or a constitutional officer  
5.17 in the executive branch as provided in section 10A.173, subdivision 1;

5.18 (7) payment for food and beverages consumed by a candidate or volunteers while they  
5.19 are engaged in campaign activities;

5.20 (8) payment for food or a beverage consumed while attending a reception or meeting  
5.21 directly related to legislative duties;

5.22 (9) payment of expenses incurred by elected or appointed leaders of a legislative caucus  
5.23 in carrying out their leadership responsibilities;

5.24 (10) payment by a principal campaign committee of the candidate's expenses for serving  
5.25 in public office, other than for personal uses;

5.26 (11) costs of child care for the candidate's children when campaigning;

5.27 (12) fees paid to attend a campaign school;

5.28 (13) costs of a postelection party during the election year when a candidate's name will  
5.29 no longer appear on a ballot or the general election is concluded, whichever occurs first;

5.30 (14) interest on loans paid by a principal campaign committee on outstanding loans;

149.16 (15) filing fees;

149.17 (16) post-general election holiday or seasonal cards, thank-you notes, or advertisements  
149.18 in the news media mailed or published prior to the end of the election cycle;

149.19 (17) the cost of campaign material purchased to replace defective campaign material, if  
149.20 the defective material is destroyed without being used;

149.21 (18) contributions to a party unit;

149.22 (19) payments for funeral gifts or memorials;

149.23 (20) the cost of a magnet less than six inches in diameter containing legislator contact  
149.24 information and distributed to constituents;

149.25 (21) costs associated with a candidate attending a political party state or national  
149.26 convention in this state;

149.27 (22) other purchases or payments specified in board rules or advisory opinions as being  
149.28 for any purpose other than to influence the nomination or election of a candidate or to  
149.29 promote or defeat a ballot question;

150.1 (23) costs paid to a third party for processing contributions made by a credit card, debit  
150.2 card, or electronic check;

150.3 (24) a contribution to a fund established to support a candidate's participation in a recount  
150.4 of ballots affecting that candidate's election;

150.5 (25) costs paid by a candidate's principal campaign committee for a single reception  
150.6 given in honor of the candidate's retirement from public office after the filing period for  
150.7 affidavits of candidacy for that office has closed;

150.8 (26) a donation from a terminating principal campaign committee to the state general  
150.9 fund;

150.10 (27) a donation from a terminating principal campaign committee to a county obligated  
150.11 to incur special election expenses due to that candidate's resignation from state office; ~~and~~

150.12 (28) during a period starting January 1 in the year following a general election and ending  
150.13 on December 31 of the year of general election, total payments of up to \$3,000 for security  
150.14 expenses for a candidate, including home security hardware, maintenance of home security  
150.15 hardware, identity theft monitoring services, and credit monitoring services; ~~;~~

150.16 (29) costs to support a candidate's principal campaign committee's participation in a  
150.17 recount of ballots affecting that candidate's election;

6.1 (15) filing fees;

6.2 (16) post-general election holiday or seasonal cards, thank-you notes, or advertisements  
6.3 in the news media mailed or published prior to the end of the election cycle;

6.4 (17) the cost of campaign material purchased to replace defective campaign material, if  
6.5 the defective material is destroyed without being used;

6.6 (18) contributions to a party unit;

6.7 (19) payments for funeral gifts or memorials;

6.8 (20) the cost of a magnet less than six inches in diameter containing legislator contact  
6.9 information and distributed to constituents;

6.10 (21) costs associated with a candidate attending a political party state or national  
6.11 convention in this state;

6.12 (22) other purchases or payments specified in board rules or advisory opinions as being  
6.13 for any purpose other than to influence the nomination or election of a candidate or to  
6.14 promote or defeat a ballot question;

6.15 (23) costs paid to a third party for processing contributions made by a credit card, debit  
6.16 card, or electronic check;

6.19 (25) a contribution to a fund established to support a candidate's participation in a recount  
6.20 of ballots affecting that candidate's election;

6.21 (25) (26) costs paid by a candidate's principal campaign committee for a single reception  
6.22 given in honor of the candidate's retirement from public office after the filing period for  
6.23 affidavits of candidacy for that office has closed;

6.24 (26) (27) a donation from a terminating principal campaign committee to the state general  
6.25 fund;

6.26 (27) (28) a donation from a terminating principal campaign committee to a county  
6.27 obligated to incur special election expenses due to that candidate's resignation from state  
6.28 office; ~~and~~

6.29 (28) (29) during a period starting January 1 in the year following a general election and  
6.30 ending on December 31 of the year of general election, total payments of up to \$3,000 for  
6.31 detection-related security monitoring expenses for a candidate, including home security  
7.1 hardware, maintenance of home security monitoring hardware, identity theft monitoring  
7.2 services, and credit monitoring services; and

6.17 (24) costs paid by a candidate's principal campaign committee to support the candidate's  
6.18 participation in a recount of ballots affecting the candidate's election;

150.18 (30) costs of running a transition office for a winning state constitutional office candidate  
 150.19 during the first three months after election; and

150.20 (31) costs paid to repair or replace campaign property that is documented to have been  
 150.21 lost, damaged, or stolen, including but not limited to campaign lawn signs.

150.22 (b) The board must determine whether an activity involves a noncampaign disbursement  
 150.23 within the meaning of this subdivision.

150.24 (c) A noncampaign disbursement is considered to be made in the year in which the  
 150.25 candidate made the purchase of goods or services or incurred an obligation to pay for goods  
 150.26 or services.

150.27 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.01, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
 150.28 read:

150.29 Subd. 26b. **Official action of a political subdivision.** "Official action of a political  
 150.30 subdivision" means any action that requires a vote or approval by one or more elected local  
 150.31 officials while acting in their official capacity; or an action by an appointed or employed  
 151.1 local official to make, to recommend, or to vote on as a member of the governing body,  
 151.2 major decisions regarding the expenditure or investment of public money.

151.3 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.01, subdivision 30, is amended to read:

151.4 Subd. 30. **Political party unit or party unit.** "Political party unit" or "party unit" means  
 151.5 the state committee ~~or~~, the party organization within a house of the legislature, ~~congressional~~  
 151.6 ~~district, county, legislative district, municipality, or precinct~~ or any other party organization  
 151.7 designated by the chair of the political party in an annual certification of party units provided  
 151.8 to the board.

151.9 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.01, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
 151.10 read:

151.11 Subd. 35c. **Specific subject of interest.** "Specific subject of interest" means a particular  
 151.12 topic or area of lobbying interest within a general lobbying category.

7.3 (30) costs paid to repair or replace campaign property that was: (i) lost or stolen, or (ii)  
 7.4 damaged or defaced to such a degree that the property no longer serves its intended purpose.  
 7.5 For purposes of this clause, campaign property includes but is not limited to campaign lawn  
 7.6 signs. The candidate must document the need for these costs in writing or with photographs.

7.7 (b) The board must determine whether an activity involves a noncampaign disbursement  
 7.8 within the meaning of this subdivision.

7.9 (c) A noncampaign disbursement is considered to be made in the year in which the  
 7.10 candidate made the purchase of goods or services or incurred an obligation to pay for goods  
 7.11 or services.

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100.6 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.01, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
 100.7 read:

100.8 Subd. 26b. **Official action of political subdivisions.** "Official action of political  
 100.9 subdivisions" means any action that requires a vote or approval by one or more elected local  
 100.10 officials while acting in their official capacity; or an action by an appointed or employed  
 100.11 local official to make, to recommend, or to vote on, as a member of the governing body,  
 100.12 major decisions regarding the expenditure or investment of public money.

100.13 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

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7.12 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.01, subdivision 30, is amended to read:

7.13 Subd. 30. **Political party unit or party unit.** "Political party unit" or "party unit" means  
 7.14 the state committee ~~or~~, the party organization within a house of the legislature, ~~congressional~~  
 7.15 ~~district, county, legislative district, municipality, or precinct~~ or any other party organization  
 7.16 designated by the chair of the political party in an annual certification of party units provided  
 7.17 to the board.

7.18 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.01, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
 7.19 read:

7.20 Subd. 35c. **Specific subject of interest.** "Specific subject of interest" means a particular  
 7.21 topic or area of lobbying interest within a general lobbying category.

7.22 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.01, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
 7.23 read:

7.24 Subd. 37. **Virtual currency.** "Virtual currency" means any digital currency which is  
 7.25 only available in an electronic form and not as a physical form of money. Virtual currency

151.13 Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.022, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

151.14 Subd. 3. **Investigation authority; complaint process.** (a) The board may investigate  
151.15 any alleged or potential violation of this chapter. The board may also investigate an alleged  
151.16 or potential violation of section 211B.04, 211B.12, or 211B.15 by or related to a candidate,  
151.17 treasurer, principal campaign committee, political committee, political fund, or party unit,  
151.18 as those terms are defined in this chapter. The board may only investigate an alleged violation  
151.19 if the board:

151.20 (1) receives a written complaint alleging a violation;

151.21 (2) discovers a potential violation as a result of an audit conducted by the board; or

151.22 (3) discovers a potential violation as a result of a staff review.

151.23 (b) When the board investigates the allegations made in a written complaint and the  
151.24 investigation reveals other potential violations that were not included in the complaint, the  
151.25 board may investigate the potential violations not alleged in the complaint only after making  
151.26 a determination under paragraph (d) that probable cause exists to believe a violation that  
151.27 warrants a formal investigation has occurred.

151.28 (c) Upon receipt of a written complaint filed with the board, the board chair or another  
151.29 board member designated by the chair shall promptly make a determination as to whether  
151.30 the complaint alleges a prima facie violation. If a determination is made that the complaint  
151.31 does not allege a prima facie violation, the complaint shall be dismissed without prejudice  
152.1 and the complainant and the subject of the complaint must be promptly notified of the  
152.2 reasons the complaint did not allege a prima facie violation. The notice to the subject of the  
152.3 complaint must include a copy of the complaint. If the complainant files a revised complaint  
152.4 regarding the same facts and the same subject, the prima facie determination must be  
152.5 completed by a board member other than the member who made the initial determination  
152.6 and who does not support the same political party as the member who made the initial  
152.7 determination. The chair may order that the prima facie determination for any complaint  
152.8 be made by the full board and must order that the prima facie determination for a complaint  
152.9 being submitted for the third time be made by the full board.

152.10 (d) If a determination is made that the complaint alleges a prima facie violation, the  
152.11 board shall, within ~~45~~ 60 days of the prima facie determination, make findings and  
152.12 conclusions as to whether probable cause exists to believe the alleged violation that warrants  
152.13 a formal investigation has occurred. Any party filing a complaint and any party against  
152.14 whom a complaint is filed must be given an opportunity to be heard by the board prior to  
152.15 the board's determination as to whether probable cause exists to believe a violation that  
152.16 warrants a formal investigation has occurred.

7.26 functions as a medium of exchange, units of account, or a store of value. Virtual currency  
7.27 includes cryptocurrencies. Virtual currency does not include currencies issued by a  
7.28 government.

8.1 Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.022, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

8.2 Subd. 3. **Investigation authority; complaint process.** (a) The board may investigate  
8.3 any alleged or potential violation of this chapter. The board may also investigate an alleged  
8.4 or potential violation of section 211B.04, 211B.12, or 211B.15 by or related to a candidate,  
8.5 treasurer, principal campaign committee, political committee, political fund, or party unit,  
8.6 as those terms are defined in this chapter. The board may only investigate an alleged violation  
8.7 if the board:

8.8 (1) receives a written complaint alleging a violation;

8.9 (2) discovers a potential violation as a result of an audit conducted by the board; or

8.10 (3) discovers a potential violation as a result of a staff review.

8.11 (b) When the board investigates the allegations made in a written complaint and the  
8.12 investigation reveals other potential violations that were not included in the complaint, the  
8.13 board may investigate the potential violations not alleged in the complaint only after making  
8.14 a determination under paragraph (d) that probable cause exists to believe a violation that  
8.15 warrants a formal investigation has occurred.

8.16 (c) Upon receipt of a written complaint filed with the board, the board chair or another  
8.17 board member designated by the chair shall promptly make a determination as to whether  
8.18 the complaint alleges a prima facie violation. If a determination is made that the complaint  
8.19 does not allege a prima facie violation, the complaint shall be dismissed without prejudice  
8.20 and the complainant and the subject of the complaint must be promptly notified of the  
8.21 reasons the complaint did not allege a prima facie violation. The notice to the subject of the  
8.22 complaint must include a copy of the complaint. If the complainant files a revised complaint  
8.23 regarding the same facts and the same subject, the prima facie determination must be  
8.24 completed by a board member other than the member who made the initial determination  
8.25 and who does not support the same political party as the member who made the initial  
8.26 determination. The chair may order that the prima facie determination for any complaint  
8.27 be made by the full board and must order that the prima facie determination for a complaint  
8.28 being submitted for the third time be made by the full board.

8.29 (d) If a determination is made that the complaint alleges a prima facie violation, the  
8.30 board shall, within ~~45~~ 60 days of the prima facie determination, make findings and  
8.31 conclusions as to whether probable cause exists to believe the alleged violation that warrants  
8.32 a formal investigation has occurred. Any party filing a complaint and any party against  
8.33 whom a complaint is filed must be given an opportunity to be heard by the board prior to  
9.1 the board's determination as to whether probable cause exists to believe a violation that  
9.2 warrants a formal investigation has occurred.



152.17 (e) Upon a determination by the board that probable cause exists to believe a violation  
 152.18 that warrants a formal investigation has occurred, the board must undertake an investigation  
 152.19 under subdivision 2 and must issue an order at the conclusion of the investigation, except  
 152.20 that if the complaint alleges a violation of section 10A.25 or 10A.27, the board must either  
 152.21 enter a conciliation agreement or make public findings and conclusions as to whether a  
 152.22 violation has occurred and must issue an order within 60 days after the probable cause  
 152.23 determination has been made. Prior to making findings and conclusions in an investigation,  
 152.24 the board must offer the subject of the complaint an opportunity to answer the allegations  
 152.25 of the complaint in writing and to appear before the board to address the matter. The deadline  
 152.26 for action on a written complaint, including but not limited to issuance of a probable cause  
 152.27 determination in accordance with paragraph (d), entering into a conciliation agreement, or  
 152.28 issuance of public findings may be extended by majority vote of the board.

152.29 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.025, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

152.30 Subd. 4. **Changes and corrections.** Material changes in information previously submitted  
 152.31 and corrections to a report or statement must be reported in writing to the board within ten  
 152.32 days following the date of the event prompting the change or the date upon which the person  
 152.33 filing became aware of the inaccuracy. The change or correction must identify the form and  
 152.34 the paragraph containing the information to be changed or corrected. A request from the  
 153.1 board to a lobbyist to provide more detailed information about a specific subject of interest  
 153.2 disclosed on a lobbyist disbursement report is a change or correction governed by this  
 153.3 subdivision.

153.4 A person who willfully fails to report a material change or correction is subject to a civil  
 153.5 penalty imposed by the board of up to \$3,000. A willful violation of this subdivision is a  
 153.6 gross misdemeanor.

153.7 The board must send a written notice to any individual who fails to file a report required  
 153.8 by this subdivision. If the individual fails to file the required report within ten business days  
 153.9 after the notice was sent, the board may impose a late filing fee of \$25 per day up to \$1,000  
 153.10 starting on the 11th day after the notice was sent. The board may send an additional notice  
 153.11 by certified mail to an individual who fails to file a report within ten business days after the  
 153.12 first notice was sent by the board. The certified notice must state that if the individual does  
 153.13 not file the requested report within ten business days after the certified notice was sent, the  
 153.14 individual may be subject to a civil penalty for failure to file a report. An individual who  
 153.15 fails to file a report required by this subdivision within ten business days after the certified  
 153.16 notice was sent by the board is subject to a civil penalty imposed by the board of up to  
 153.17 \$1,000.

153.18 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.03, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

153.19 Subd. 2. **Form.** The board must prescribe a registration form, which must include:

- 153.20 (1) the name, address, and email address of the lobbyist;  
 153.21 (2) the principal place of business of the lobbyist;

9.3 (e) Upon a determination by the board that probable cause exists to believe a violation  
 9.4 that warrants a formal investigation has occurred, the board must undertake an investigation  
 9.5 under subdivision 2 and must issue an order at the conclusion of the investigation, except  
 9.6 that if the complaint alleges a violation of section 10A.25 or 10A.27, the board must either  
 9.7 enter a conciliation agreement or make public findings and conclusions as to whether a  
 9.8 violation has occurred and must issue an order within 60 days after the probable cause  
 9.9 determination has been made. Prior to making findings and conclusions in an investigation,  
 9.10 the board must offer the subject of the complaint an opportunity to answer the allegations  
 9.11 of the complaint in writing and to appear before the board to address the matter. The deadline  
 9.12 for action on a written complaint, including but not limited to issuance of a probable cause  
 9.13 determination in accordance with paragraph (d), entering into a conciliation agreement, or  
 9.14 issuance of public findings may be extended by majority vote of the board.

9.15 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.025, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

9.16 Subd. 4. **Changes and corrections.** Material changes in information previously submitted  
 9.17 and corrections to a report or statement must be reported in writing to the board within ten  
 9.18 days following the date of the event prompting the change or the date upon which the person  
 9.19 filing became aware of the inaccuracy. The change or correction must identify the form and  
 9.20 the paragraph containing the information to be changed or corrected. A request from the  
 9.21 board to a lobbyist to provide more detailed information about a specific subject of interest  
 9.22 disclosed on a lobbyist disbursement report is a change or correction governed by this  
 9.23 subdivision.

9.24 A person who willfully fails to report a material change or correction is subject to a civil  
 9.25 penalty imposed by the board of up to \$3,000. A willful violation of this subdivision is a  
 9.26 gross misdemeanor.

9.27 The board must send a written notice to any individual who fails to file a report required  
 9.28 by this subdivision. If the individual fails to file the required report within ten business days  
 9.29 after the notice was sent, the board may impose a late filing fee of \$25 per day up to \$1,000  
 9.30 starting on the 11th day after the notice was sent. The board may send an additional notice  
 9.31 by certified mail to an individual who fails to file a report within ten business days after the  
 9.32 first notice was sent by the board. The certified notice must state that if the individual does  
 9.33 not file the requested report within ten business days after the certified notice was sent, the  
 9.34 individual may be subject to a civil penalty for failure to file a report. An individual who  
 10.1 fails to file a report required by this subdivision within ten business days after the certified  
 10.2 notice was sent by the board is subject to a civil penalty imposed by the board of up to  
 10.3 \$1,000.

10.4 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.03, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

10.5 Subd. 2. **Form.** The board must prescribe a registration form, which must include:

- 10.6 (1) the name, address, and email address of the lobbyist;  
 10.7 (2) the principal place of business of the lobbyist;

153.22 (3) the name and address of each individual, association, political subdivision, or public  
153.23 higher education system, if any, by whom the lobbyist is retained or employed or on whose  
153.24 behalf the lobbyist appears;

153.25 (4) the website address of each association, political subdivision, or public higher  
153.26 education system identified under clause (3), if the entity maintains a website; ~~and~~

153.27 (5) ~~a the general description of the subject or subjects lobbying categories~~ on which the  
153.28 lobbyist expects to lobby; ~~on behalf of a represented entity; and~~

153.29 (6) if the lobbyist lobbies on behalf of an association, ~~the registration form must include~~  
153.30 the name and address of the officers and directors of the association.

154.1 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.03, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
154.2 read:

154.3 Subd. 6. **General lobbying categories and specific subjects of interest.** A list of general  
154.4 lobbying categories and specific subjects of interest must be specified by the board and  
154.5 updated periodically based on public comment and information provided by lobbyists. The  
154.6 board must publish on its website the current list of general lobbying categories and specific  
154.7 subjects of interest. Chapter 14 and section 14.386 do not apply to the specification,  
154.8 publication, or periodic updates of the list of general lobbying categories and specific subjects  
154.9 of interest.

154.10 Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.04, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

154.11 Subd. 3. **Information to lobbyist.** An ~~employer or employee about~~ entity or lobbyist  
154.12 whose activities ~~a~~ are reported to the board by another lobbyist is required to ~~report must~~  
154.13 provide the information required by subdivision 4 to the lobbyist no later than five days  
154.14 before the prescribed filing date.

154.15 Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.04, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

154.16 Subd. 4. **Content.** (a) A report under this section must include information the board  
154.17 requires from the registration form and the information required by this subdivision for the  
154.18 reporting period.

154.19 (b) A lobbyist must report the specific subjects of interest for an entity represented by  
154.20 the lobbyist on each report submitted under this section. A lobbyist must describe a specific  
154.21 subject of interest in the report with enough information to show the particular issue of  
154.22 importance to the entity represented.

154.23 (b) (c) A lobbyist must report the lobbyist's total disbursements on lobbying, separately  
154.24 listing lobbying to influence legislative action, lobbying to influence administrative action,  
154.25 and lobbying to influence the official actions of a metropolitan governmental unit, and a  
154.26 breakdown of disbursements for each of those kinds of lobbying into categories specified

10.8 (3) the name and address of each individual, association, political subdivision, or public  
10.9 higher education system, if any, by whom the lobbyist is retained or employed or on whose  
10.10 behalf the lobbyist appears;

10.11 (4) the website address of each association, political subdivision, or public higher  
10.12 education system identified under clause (3), if the entity maintains a website; ~~and~~

10.13 (5) ~~a the general description of the subject or subjects lobbying categories~~ on which the  
10.14 lobbyist expects to lobby; ~~on behalf of a represented entity; and~~

10.15 (6) if the lobbyist lobbies on behalf of an association, ~~the registration form must include~~  
10.16 the name and address of the officers and directors of the association.

10.17 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.03, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
10.18 read:

10.19 Subd. 6. **General lobbying categories and specific subjects of interest.** A list of general  
10.20 lobbying categories and specific subjects of interest must be specified by the board and  
10.21 updated periodically based on public comment and information provided by lobbyists. The  
10.22 board must publish on its website the current list of general lobbying categories and specific  
10.23 subjects of interest.

10.24 Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.04, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

10.25 Subd. 3. **Information to lobbyist.** An ~~employer or employee about~~ entity or lobbyist  
10.26 whose activities ~~a~~ are reported to the board by another lobbyist is required to ~~report must~~  
10.27 provide the information required by subdivision 4 to the lobbyist no later than five days  
10.28 before the prescribed filing date.

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100.14 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.04, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

100.15 Subd. 4. **Content.** (a) A report under this section must include information the board  
100.16 requires from the registration form and the information required by this subdivision for the  
100.17 reporting period.

100.18 (b) A lobbyist must report the specific subjects of interest for an entity represented by  
100.19 the lobbyist on each report submitted under this section. A lobbyist must describe a specific  
100.20 subject of interest in the report with enough information to show the particular issue of  
100.21 importance to the entity represented.

100.22 (b) (c) A lobbyist must report the lobbyist's total disbursements on lobbying, separately  
100.23 listing lobbying to influence legislative action, lobbying to influence administrative action,  
100.24 and lobbying to influence the official actions of a metropolitan governmental unit, and a  
100.25 breakdown of disbursements for each of those kinds of lobbying into categories specified

154.27 ~~by the board, including but not limited to the cost of publication and distribution of each~~  
 154.28 ~~publication used in lobbying; other printing; media, including the cost of production; postage;~~  
 154.29 ~~travel; fees, including allowances; entertainment; telephone and telegraph; and other~~  
 154.30 ~~expenses; every state agency that had administrative action that the represented entity sought~~  
 154.31 ~~to influence during the reporting period. The lobbyist must report the specific subjects of~~  
 154.32 ~~interest for each administrative action and the revisor rule draft number assigned to the~~  
 154.33 ~~administrative rulemaking.~~

155.1 (d) A lobbyist must report every political subdivision that considered official action that  
 155.2 the represented entity sought to influence during the reporting period. The lobbyist must  
 155.3 report the specific subjects of interest for each action.

155.4 (e) A lobbyist must report general lobbying categories and up to four specific subjects  
 155.5 of interest related to each general lobbying category on which the lobbyist attempted to  
 155.6 influence legislative action during the reporting period. If the lobbyist attempted to influence  
 155.7 legislative action on more than four specific subjects of interest for a general lobbying  
 155.8 category, the lobbyist, in consultation with the represented entity, must determine which  
 155.9 four specific subjects of interest were the entity's highest priorities during the reporting  
 155.10 period and report only those four subjects.

155.11 (f) A lobbyist must report the Public Utilities Commission project name for each rate  
 155.12 setting, power plant and powerline siting, or granting of certification of need before the  
 155.13 Public Utilities Commission that the represented entity sought to influence during the  
 155.14 reporting period.

155.15 (g) A lobbyist must report the amount and nature of each gift, item, or benefit,  
 155.16 excluding contributions to a candidate, equal in value to \$5 or more, given or paid to any  
 155.17 official, as defined in section 10A.071, subdivision 1, by the lobbyist or an employer or  
 155.18 employee of the lobbyist. The list must include the name and address of each official to  
 155.19 whom the gift, item, or benefit was given or paid and the date it was given or paid.

155.20 (h) A lobbyist must report each original source of money in excess of \$500 in any  
 155.21 year used for the purpose of lobbying to influence legislative action, administrative action,  
 155.22 or the official action of a ~~metropolitan governmental unit~~ political subdivision. The list must  
 155.23 include the name, address, and employer, or, if self-employed, the occupation and principal  
 155.24 place of business, of each payer of money in excess of \$500.

155.25 (i) ~~On the each report due June 15, the~~ a lobbyist must ~~provide a~~ disclose the general  
 155.26 ~~description of the subjects~~ lobbying categories that were lobbied on in the ~~previous 12~~  
 155.27 ~~months~~ reporting period.

155.28 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2024.

155.29 Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.04, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

155.30 Subd. 6. **Principal reports.** (a) A principal must report to the board as required in this  
 155.31 subdivision by March 15 for the preceding calendar year.

100.26 ~~by the board, including but not limited to the cost of publication and distribution of each~~  
 100.27 ~~publication used in lobbying; other printing; media, including the cost of production; postage;~~  
 100.28 ~~travel; fees, including allowances; entertainment; telephone and telegraph; and other~~  
 100.29 ~~expenses; every state agency that had administrative action that the represented entity sought~~  
 100.30 ~~to influence during the reporting period. The lobbyist must report the specific subjects of~~  
 100.31 ~~interest for each administrative action and the revisor of statutes rule draft number assigned~~  
 100.32 ~~to the administrative rulemaking.~~

101.1 (d) A lobbyist must report every political subdivision that considered official action that  
 101.2 the represented entity sought to influence during the reporting period. The lobbyist must  
 101.3 report the specific subjects of interest for each action.

101.4 (e) A lobbyist must report general lobbying categories and up to four specific subjects  
 101.5 of interest related to each general lobbying category on which the lobbyist attempted to  
 101.6 influence legislative action during the reporting period. If the lobbyist attempted to influence  
 101.7 legislative action on more than four specific subjects of interest for a general lobbying  
 101.8 category, the lobbyist, in consultation with the represented entity, must determine which  
 101.9 four specific subjects of interest were the entity's highest priorities during the reporting  
 101.10 period and report only those four subjects.

101.11 (f) A lobbyist must report the Public Utilities Commission project name for each rate  
 101.12 setting, power plant and powerline siting, or granting of certification of need before the  
 101.13 Public Utilities Commission that the represented entity sought to influence during the  
 101.14 reporting period.

101.15 (g) A lobbyist must report the amount and nature of each gift, item, or benefit,  
 101.16 excluding contributions to a candidate, equal in value to \$5 or more, given or paid to any  
 101.17 official, as defined in section 10A.071, subdivision 1, by the lobbyist or an employer or  
 101.18 employee of the lobbyist. The list must include the name and address of each official to  
 101.19 whom the gift, item, or benefit was given or paid and the date it was given or paid.

101.20 (h) A lobbyist must report each original source of money in excess of \$500 in any  
 101.21 year used for the purpose of lobbying to influence legislative action, administrative action,  
 101.22 or the official action of a ~~metropolitan governmental unit~~ political subdivision. The list must  
 101.23 include the name, address, and employer, or, if self-employed, the occupation and principal  
 101.24 place of business, of each payer of money in excess of \$500.

101.25 (i) ~~On the each report due June 15, the~~ a lobbyist must ~~provide a~~ disclose the general  
 101.26 ~~description of the subjects~~ lobbying categories that were lobbied on in the ~~previous 12~~  
 101.27 ~~months~~ reporting period.

101.28 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2024.

101.29 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.04, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

101.30 Subd. 6. **Principal reports.** (a) A principal must report to the board as required in this  
 101.31 subdivision by March 15 for the preceding calendar year.

155.32 (b) ~~Except as provided in paragraph (d),~~ The principal must report the total amount,  
 155.33 ~~rounded to the nearest \$20,000~~ \$10,000, spent by the principal during the preceding calendar  
 156.1 year to influence legislative action, administrative action, and the official action of  
 156.2 ~~metropolitan governmental units.~~ on each type of lobbying listed below:

156.3 (1) lobbying to influence legislative action;  
 156.4 (2) lobbying to influence administrative action, other than lobbying described in clause  
 156.5 (3);

156.6 (3) lobbying to influence administrative action in cases of rate setting, power plant and  
 156.7 powerline siting, and granting of certificates of need under section 216B.243; and

156.8 (4) lobbying to influence official action of a political subdivision.

156.9 (c) ~~Except as provided in paragraph (d),~~ For each type of lobbying listed in paragraph  
 156.10 (b), the principal must report ~~under this subdivision~~ a total amount that includes:

156.11 (1) the portion of all direct payments for compensation and benefits paid by the principal  
 156.12 to lobbyists in this state for that type of lobbying;

156.13 (2) the portion of all expenditures for advertising, mailing, research, consulting, surveys,  
 156.14 expert testimony, studies, reports, analysis, compilation and dissemination of information,  
 156.15 social media and public relations campaigns related to legislative action, administrative  
 156.16 action, or the official action of metropolitan governmental units, and legal counsel used to  
 156.17 support that type of lobbying in this state; and

156.18 (3) a reasonable good faith estimate of the portion of all salaries and administrative  
 156.19 overhead expenses attributable to activities of the principal relating to efforts to influence  
 156.20 legislative action, administrative action, or the official action of metropolitan governmental  
 156.21 units for that type of lobbying in this state.

156.22 (d) ~~A principal that must report spending to influence administrative action in cases of~~  
 156.23 ~~rate setting, power plant and powerline siting, and granting of certificates of need under~~  
 156.24 ~~section 216B.243 must report those amounts as provided in this subdivision, except that~~  
 156.25 ~~they must be reported separately and not included in the totals required under paragraphs~~  
 156.26 ~~(b) and (c).~~

156.27 (d) The principal must report disbursements made and obligations incurred that exceed  
 156.28 \$2,000 for paid advertising used for the purpose of urging members of the public to contact  
 156.29 public or local officials to influence official actions during the reporting period. Paid  
 156.30 advertising includes the cost to boost the distribution of an advertisement on social media.  
 156.31 The report must provide the date that the advertising was purchased, the name and address  
 156.32 of the vendor, a description of the advertising purchased, and any specific subjects of interest  
 156.33 addressed by the advertisement.

157.1 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective January 1, 2024.

101.32 (b) ~~Except as provided in paragraph (d),~~ The principal must report the total amount,  
 101.33 ~~rounded to the nearest \$20,000~~, spent by the principal during the preceding calendar year  
 102.1 to influence legislative action, administrative action, and the official action of metropolitan  
 102.2 ~~governmental units.~~ on each type of lobbying listed below:

102.3 (1) lobbying to influence legislative action;  
 102.4 (2) lobbying to influence administrative action, other than lobbying described in clause  
 102.5 (3);

102.6 (3) lobbying to influence administrative action in cases of rate setting, power plant and  
 102.7 powerline siting, and granting of certificates of need under section 216B.243; and

102.8 (4) lobbying to influence official action of political subdivisions.

102.9 (c) ~~Except as provided in paragraph (d),~~ For each type of lobbying listed in paragraph  
 102.10 (b), the principal must report ~~under this subdivision~~ a total amount that includes:

102.11 (1) the portion of all direct payments for compensation and benefits paid by the principal  
 102.12 to lobbyists in this state for that type of lobbying;

102.13 (2) the portion of all expenditures for advertising, mailing, research, consulting, surveys,  
 102.14 expert testimony, studies, reports, analysis, compilation and dissemination of information,  
 102.15 social media and public relations campaigns related to legislative action, administrative  
 102.16 action, or the official action of metropolitan governmental units, and legal counsel used to  
 102.17 support that type of lobbying in this state; and

102.18 (3) a reasonable good faith estimate of the portion of all salaries and administrative  
 102.19 overhead expenses attributable to activities of the principal relating to efforts to influence  
 102.20 legislative action, administrative action, or the official action of metropolitan governmental  
 102.21 units for that type of lobbying in this state.

102.22 (d) ~~A principal that must report spending to influence administrative action in cases of~~  
 102.23 ~~rate setting, power plant and powerline siting, and granting of certificates of need under~~  
 102.24 ~~section 216B.243 must report those amounts as provided in this subdivision, except that~~  
 102.25 ~~they must be reported separately and not included in the totals required under paragraphs~~  
 102.26 ~~(b) and (c).~~

102.27 (d) The principal must report disbursements made and obligations incurred that exceed  
 102.28 \$2,000 for paid advertising used for the purpose of urging members of the public to contact  
 102.29 public or local officials to influence official actions during the reporting period. Paid  
 102.30 advertising includes the cost to boost the distribution of an advertisement on social media.  
 102.31 The report must provide the date that the advertising was purchased, the name and address  
 102.32 of the vendor, a description of the advertising purchased, and any specific subjects of interest  
 102.33 addressed by the advertisement.

103.1 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective January 1, 2024.

157.2 Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.04, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

157.3 Subd. 9. **Reporting by multiple lobbyists representing the same entity.** Clauses (1)  
157.4 to (6) apply when a single individual, association, political subdivision, or public higher  
157.5 education system is represented by more than one lobbyist.

157.6 (1) The entity must appoint one designated lobbyist to report lobbyist disbursements  
157.7 made by the entity. An entity represented by more than one lobbyist may only have one  
157.8 designated lobbyist at any given time. The designated lobbyist must indicate that status on  
157.9 the periodic reports of lobbyist disbursements.

157.10 (2) A reporting lobbyist may consent to report on behalf of one or more other lobbyists  
157.11 for the same entity, in which case, the other lobbyists are persons whose activities the  
157.12 reporting lobbyist must disclose and are subject to the disclosure requirements of subdivision  
157.13 3. Lobbyist disbursement reports filed by a reporting lobbyist must include the names and  
157.14 registration numbers of the other lobbyists whose activities are included in the report.

157.15 (3) Lobbyists whose activities are accounted for by a reporting lobbyist are not required  
157.16 to file lobbyist disbursement reports.

157.17 (4) A lobbyist whose lobbying disbursements are provided to the board through a  
157.18 reporting lobbyist must supply all relevant information on disbursements to the reporting  
157.19 lobbyist no later than five days before the prescribed filing date.

157.20 (5) The reporting periods and due dates for a reporting lobbyist are those provided in  
157.21 subdivision 2. The late filing provisions in subdivision 5 apply to reports required by this  
157.22 subdivision.

157.23 (6) The reporting lobbyist must indicate the names and registration numbers of any  
157.24 lobbyists who did not provide their lobbying disbursements for inclusion in a report. The  
157.25 late filing provisions in subdivision 5 apply to lobbyists who fail to report information to  
157.26 the reporting lobbyist.

157.27 Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.05, is amended to read:

157.28 **10A.05 LOBBYIST REPORT.**

157.29 Within 30 days after each lobbyist filing date set by section 10A.04, the executive director  
157.30 of the board must publish the names of the lobbyists registered who were not previously  
157.31 reported, the names of the individuals, associations, political subdivisions, or public higher  
158.1 education systems whom they represent as lobbyists, the subject or subjects on which they  
158.2 are lobbying, and whether in each case they lobby to influence legislative action,  
158.3 administrative action, or the official action of a ~~metropolitan governmental unit~~ political  
158.4 subdivision.

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11.1 Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.04, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

11.2 Subd. 9. **Reporting by multiple lobbyists representing the same entity.** Clauses (1)  
11.3 to (6) apply when a single individual, association, political subdivision, or public higher  
11.4 education system is represented by more than one lobbyist.

11.5 (1) The entity must appoint one designated lobbyist to report lobbyist disbursements  
11.6 made by the entity. An entity represented by more than one lobbyist may only have one  
11.7 designated lobbyist at any given time. The designated lobbyist must indicate that status on  
11.8 the periodic reports of lobbyist disbursements.

11.9 (2) A reporting lobbyist may consent to report on behalf of one or more other lobbyists  
11.10 for the same entity, in which case, the other lobbyists are persons whose activities the  
11.11 reporting lobbyist must disclose and are subject to the disclosure requirements of subdivision  
11.12 3. Lobbyist disbursement reports filed by a reporting lobbyist must include the names and  
11.13 registration numbers of the other lobbyists whose activities are included in the report.

11.14 (3) Lobbyists whose activities are accounted for by a reporting lobbyist are not required  
11.15 to file lobbyist disbursement reports.

11.16 (4) A lobbyist whose lobbying disbursements are provided to the board through a  
11.17 reporting lobbyist must supply all relevant information on disbursements to the reporting  
11.18 lobbyist no later than five days before the prescribed filing date.

11.19 (5) The reporting periods and due dates for a reporting lobbyist are those provided in  
11.20 subdivision 2. The late filing provisions in subdivision 5 apply to reports required by this  
11.21 subdivision.

11.22 (6) The reporting lobbyist must indicate the names and registration numbers of any  
11.23 lobbyists who did not provide their lobbying disbursements for inclusion in a report. The  
11.24 late filing provisions in subdivision 5 apply to lobbyists who fail to report information to  
11.25 the reporting lobbyist.

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103.2 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.05, is amended to read:

103.3 **10A.05 LOBBYIST REPORT.**

103.4 Within 30 days after each lobbyist filing date set by section 10A.04, the executive director  
103.5 of the board must publish the names of the lobbyists registered who were not previously  
103.6 reported, the names of the individuals, associations, political subdivisions, or public higher  
103.7 education systems whom they represent as lobbyists, the subject or subjects on which they  
103.8 are lobbying, and whether in each case they lobby to influence legislative action,  
103.9 administrative action, or the official action of a ~~metropolitan governmental unit~~ political  
103.10 subdivision.

158.5 Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.06, is amended to read:

158.6 **10A.06 CONTINGENT FEES PROHIBITED.**

158.7 No person may act as or employ a lobbyist for compensation that is dependent upon the  
158.8 result or outcome of any legislative or administrative action, or of the official action of a  
158.9 ~~metropolitan governmental unit~~ political subdivision. A person who violates this section is  
158.10 guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

158.11 Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.071, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

158.12 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) The definitions in this subdivision apply to this section.

158.13 (b) "Gift" means money, real or personal property, a service, a loan, a forbearance or  
158.14 forgiveness of indebtedness, or a promise of future employment, that is given and received  
158.15 without the giver receiving consideration of equal or greater value in return.

158.16 (c) "Official" means a public official, an employee of the legislature, or a local official  
158.17 ~~of a metropolitan governmental unit.~~

158.18 (d) "Plaque" means a decorative item with an inscription recognizing an individual for  
158.19 an accomplishment.

158.20 Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.09, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

158.21 Subd. 5. **Form; general requirements.** (a) A statement of economic interest required  
158.22 by this section must be on a form prescribed by the board. Except as provided in subdivision  
158.23 5b, the individual filing must provide the following information:

158.24 (1) the individual's name, address, occupation, and principal place of business;

158.25 (2) a listing of the name of each associated business and the nature of that association;

158.26 (3) a listing of all real property within the state, excluding homestead property, in which  
158.27 the individual or the individual's spouse holds: (i) a fee simple interest, a mortgage, a contract  
158.28 for deed as buyer or seller, or an option to buy, whether direct or indirect, if the interest is  
158.29 valued in excess of \$2,500; or (ii) an option to buy, if the property has a fair market value  
158.30 of more than \$50,000;

159.1 (4) a listing of all real property within the state in which a partnership of which the  
159.2 individual or the individual's spouse is a member holds: (i) a fee simple interest, a mortgage,  
159.3 a contract for deed as buyer or seller, or an option to buy, whether direct or indirect, if the  
159.4 individual's share of the partnership interest is valued in excess of \$2,500; or (ii) an option

103.11 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2024.

103.12 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.06, is amended to read:

103.13 **10A.06 CONTINGENT FEES PROHIBITED.**

103.14 No person may act as or employ a lobbyist for compensation that is dependent upon the  
103.15 result or outcome of any legislative or administrative action, or of the official action of a  
103.16 ~~metropolitan governmental unit~~ political subdivision. A person who violates this section is  
103.17 guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

103.18 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2024.

103.19 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.071, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

103.20 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) The definitions in this subdivision apply to this section.

103.21 (b) "Gift" means money, real or personal property, a service, a loan, a forbearance or  
103.22 forgiveness of indebtedness, or a promise of future employment, that is given and received  
103.23 without the giver receiving consideration of equal or greater value in return.

103.24 (c) "Official" means a public official, an employee of the legislature, or a local official  
103.25 ~~of a metropolitan governmental unit.~~

103.26 (d) "Plaque" means a decorative item with an inscription recognizing an individual for  
103.27 an accomplishment.

103.28 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2024.

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11.26 Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.09, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

11.27 Subd. 5. **Form; general requirements.** (a) A statement of economic interest required  
11.28 by this section must be on a form prescribed by the board. Except as provided in subdivision  
11.29 5b, the individual filing must provide the following information:

11.30 (1) the individual's name, address, occupation, and principal place of business;

11.31 (2) a listing of the name of each associated business and the nature of that association;

12.1 (3) a listing of all real property within the state, excluding homestead property, in which  
12.2 the individual or the individual's spouse holds: (i) a fee simple interest, a mortgage, a contract  
12.3 for deed as buyer or seller, or an option to buy, whether direct or indirect, if the interest is  
12.4 valued in excess of \$2,500; or (ii) an option to buy, if the property has a fair market value  
12.5 of more than \$50,000;

12.6 (4) a listing of all real property within the state in which a partnership of which the  
12.7 individual or the individual's spouse is a member holds: (i) a fee simple interest, a mortgage,  
12.8 a contract for deed as buyer or seller, or an option to buy, whether direct or indirect, if the  
12.9 individual's share of the partnership interest is valued in excess of \$2,500; or (ii) an option

159.5 to buy, if the property has a fair market value of more than \$50,000. A listing under this  
 159.6 clause or clause (3) must indicate the street address and the municipality or the section,  
 159.7 township, range and approximate acreage, whichever applies, and the county in which the  
 159.8 property is located;

159.9 (5) a listing of any investments, ownership, or interests in property connected with  
 159.10 pari-mutuel horse racing in the United States and Canada, including a racehorse, in which  
 159.11 the individual directly or indirectly holds a partial or full interest or an immediate family  
 159.12 member holds a partial or full interest;

159.13 (6) a listing of the principal business or professional activity category of each business  
 159.14 from which the individual or the individual's spouse receives more than \$250 in any month  
 159.15 during the reporting period as an employee, if the individual or the individual's spouse has  
 159.16 an ownership interest of 25 percent or more in the business;

159.17 (7) a listing of each principal business or professional activity category from which the  
 159.18 individual or the individual's spouse received compensation of more than \$2,500 in the past  
 159.19 12 months as an independent contractor; ~~and~~

159.20 (8) a listing of the full name of each security with a value of more than \$10,000 owned  
 159.21 in part or in full by the individual or the individual's spouse, at any time during the reporting  
 159.22 period; ~~and~~

159.23 (9) a listing of any contract, professional license, lease, or franchise that:

159.24 (i) is held by the individual or the individual's spouse or any business in which the  
 159.25 individual has an ownership interest of 25 percent or more; and

159.26 (ii) is entered into with, or issued by, the government agency on which the individual  
 159.27 serves as a public or local official.

159.28 (b) The business or professional categories for purposes of paragraph (a), clauses (6)  
 159.29 and (7), must be the general topic headings used by the federal Internal Revenue Service  
 159.30 for purposes of reporting self-employment income on Schedule C. This paragraph does not  
 159.31 require an individual to report any specific code number from that schedule. Any additional  
 159.32 principal business or professional activity category may only be adopted if the category is  
 159.33 enacted by law.

160.1 (c) For the purpose of calculating the amount of compensation received from any single  
 160.2 source in a single month, the amount shall include the total amount received from the source  
 160.3 during the month, whether or not the amount covers compensation for more than one month.

160.4 (d) For the purpose of determining the value of an individual's interest in real property,  
 160.5 the value of the property is the market value shown on the property tax statement.

160.6 (e) For the purpose of this section, "date of appointment" means the effective date of  
 160.7 appointment to a position.

12.10 to buy, if the property has a fair market value of more than \$50,000. A listing under this  
 12.11 clause or clause (3) must indicate the street address and the municipality or the section,  
 12.12 township, range and approximate acreage, whichever applies, and the county in which the  
 12.13 property is located;

12.14 (5) a listing of any investments, ownership, or interests in property connected with  
 12.15 pari-mutuel horse racing in the United States and Canada, including a racehorse, in which  
 12.16 the individual directly or indirectly holds a partial or full interest or an immediate family  
 12.17 member holds a partial or full interest;

12.18 (6) a listing of the principal business or professional activity category of each business  
 12.19 from which the individual or the individual's spouse receives more than \$250 in any month  
 12.20 during the reporting period as an employee, if the individual or the individual's spouse has  
 12.21 an ownership interest of 25 percent or more in the business;

12.22 (7) a listing of each principal business or professional activity category from which the  
 12.23 individual or the individual's spouse received compensation of more than \$2,500 in the past  
 12.24 12 months as an independent contractor; ~~and~~

12.25 (8) a listing of the full name of each security with a value of more than \$10,000 owned  
 12.26 in part or in full by the individual or the individual's spouse, at any time during the reporting  
 12.27 period; ~~and~~

12.28 (9) a listing of any contract, professional license, lease, or franchise that:

12.29 (i) is held by the individual or the individual's spouse or any business in which the  
 12.30 individual has an ownership interest of 25 percent or more; and

12.31 (ii) is entered into with, or issued by, the government agency on which the individual  
 12.32 serves as a public or local official.

13.1 (b) The business or professional categories for purposes of paragraph (a), clauses (6)  
 13.2 and (7), must be the general topic headings used by the federal Internal Revenue Service  
 13.3 for purposes of reporting self-employment income on Schedule C. This paragraph does not  
 13.4 require an individual to report any specific code number from that schedule. Any additional  
 13.5 principal business or professional activity category may only be adopted if the category is  
 13.6 enacted by law.

13.7 (c) For the purpose of calculating the amount of compensation received from any single  
 13.8 source in a single month, the amount shall include the total amount received from the source  
 13.9 during the month, whether or not the amount covers compensation for more than one month.

13.10 (d) For the purpose of determining the value of an individual's interest in real property,  
 13.11 the value of the property is the market value shown on the property tax statement.

13.12 (e) For the purpose of this section, "date of appointment" means the effective date of  
 13.13 appointment to a position.

160.8 (f) For the purpose of this section, "accepting employment as a public official" means  
 160.9 the effective date of the appointment to the position, as stated in the appointing authority's  
 160.10 notice to the board.

160.11 (g) The listings required in paragraph (a), clauses (3) to (9), must not identify whether  
 160.12 the individual or the individual's spouse is associated with or owns the listed item.

160.13 Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.09, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
 160.14 read:

160.15 Subd. 5b. Form; exceptions for certain officials. (a) This subdivision applies to the  
 160.16 following individuals:

160.17 (1) a supervisor of a soil and water conservation district;

160.18 (2) a manager of a watershed district; and

160.19 (3) a member of a watershed management organization as defined under section  
 160.20 103B.205, subdivision 13.

160.21 (b) Notwithstanding subdivision 5, paragraph (a), an individual listed in paragraph (a),  
 160.22 must provide only the information listed below on a statement of economic interest:

160.23 (1) the individual's name, address, occupation, and principal place of business;

160.24 (2) a listing of any association, corporation, partnership, limited liability company,  
 160.25 limited liability partnership, or other organized legal entity from which the individual  
 160.26 receives compensation in excess of \$250, except for actual and reasonable expenses, in any  
 160.27 month during the reporting period as a director, officer, owner, member, partner, employer,  
 160.28 or employee;

160.29 (3) a listing of all real property within the state, excluding homestead property, in which  
 160.30 the individual or the individual's spouse holds:

161.1 (i) a fee simple interest, a mortgage, a contract for deed as buyer or seller, or an option  
 161.2 to buy, whether direct or indirect, if the interest is valued in excess of \$2,500; or

161.3 (ii) an option to buy, if the property has a fair market value of more than \$50,000;

161.4 (4) a listing of all real property within the state in which a partnership of which the  
 161.5 individual or the individual's spouse is a member holds:

161.6 (i) a fee simple interest, a mortgage, a contract for deed as buyer or seller, or an option  
 161.7 to buy, whether direct or indirect, if the individual's share of the partnership interest is valued  
 161.8 in excess of \$2,500; or

161.9 (ii) an option to buy, if the property has a fair market value of more than \$50,000. A  
 161.10 listing under this clause or clause (3) must indicate the street address and the municipality

13.14 (f) For the purpose of this section, "accepting employment as a public official" means  
 13.15 the effective date of the appointment to the position, as stated in the appointing authority's  
 13.16 notice to the board.

13.17 (g) The listings required in paragraph (a), clauses (3) to (9), must not identify whether  
 13.18 the individual or the individual's spouse is associated with or owns the listed item.

13.19 Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.09, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
 13.20 read:

13.21 Subd. 5b. Form; exceptions for certain officials. (a) This subdivision applies to the  
 13.22 following individuals:

13.23 (1) a supervisor of a soil and water conservation district;

13.24 (2) a manager of a watershed district; and

13.25 (3) a member of a watershed management organization as defined under section  
 13.26 103B.205, subdivision 13.

13.27 (b) Notwithstanding subdivision 5, paragraph (a), an individual listed in paragraph (a),  
 13.28 must provide only the information listed below on a statement of economic interest:

13.29 (1) the individual's name, address, occupation, and principal place of business;

13.30 (2) a listing of any association, corporation, partnership, limited liability company,  
 13.31 limited liability partnership, or other organized legal entity from which the individual  
 14.1 receives compensation in excess of \$250, except for actual and reasonable expenses, in any  
 14.2 month during the reporting period as a director, officer, owner, member, partner, employer,  
 14.3 or employee;

14.4 (3) a listing of all real property within the state, excluding homestead property, in which  
 14.5 the individual or the individual's spouse holds:

14.6 (i) a fee simple interest, a mortgage, a contract for deed as buyer or seller, or an option  
 14.7 to buy, whether direct or indirect, if the interest is valued in excess of \$2,500; or

14.8 (ii) an option to buy, if the property has a fair market value of more than \$50,000;

14.9 (4) a listing of all real property within the state in which a partnership of which the  
 14.10 individual or the individual's spouse is a member holds:

14.11 (i) a fee simple interest, a mortgage, a contract for deed as buyer or seller, or an option  
 14.12 to buy, whether direct or indirect, if the individual's share of the partnership interest is valued  
 14.13 in excess of \$2,500; or

14.14 (ii) an option to buy, if the property has a fair market value of more than \$50,000. A  
 14.15 listing under this clause or clause (3) must indicate the street address and the municipality



161.11 or the section, township, range and approximate acreage, whichever applies, and the county  
 161.12 in which the property is located; and

161.13 (5) a listing of any contract, professional license, lease, or franchise that meets the  
 161.14 following criteria:

161.15 (i) it is held by the individual or the individual's spouse or any business in which the  
 161.16 individual has an ownership interest of 25 percent or more; and

161.17 (ii) it is entered into with, or issued by, the government agency on which the individual  
 161.18 serves as a public or local official.

161.19 (c) The listings required in paragraph (b), clauses (3) to (5), must not identify whether  
 161.20 the individual or the individual's spouse is associated with or owns the listed item.

161.21 (d) If an individual listed in paragraph (a) also holds a public official position that is not  
 161.22 listed in paragraph (a), the individual must file a statement of economic interest that includes  
 161.23 the information specified in subdivision 5, paragraph (a).

161.24 Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.121, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

161.25 Subdivision 1. **Permitted disbursements.** An independent expenditure political  
 161.26 committee or fund, or a ballot question political committee or fund, may:

161.27 (1) pay costs associated with its fundraising and general operations;

161.28 (2) pay for communications that do not constitute contributions or approved expenditures;

161.29 (3) make contributions to independent expenditure or ballot question political committees  
 161.30 or funds;

161.31 (4) make independent expenditures;

162.1 (5) make expenditures to promote or defeat ballot questions;

162.2 (6) return a contribution to its source;

162.3 (7) for a political fund, record bookkeeping entries transferring the association's general  
 162.4 treasury money allocated for political purposes back to the general treasury of the association;

162.5 ~~and~~

162.6 (8) for a political fund, return general treasury money transferred to a separate depository  
 162.7 to the general depository of the association; and

162.8 (9) make disbursements for electioneering communications.

162.9 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2024, and applies to  
 162.10 expenditures and electioneering communications made on or after that date.

14.16 or the section, township, range and approximate acreage, whichever applies, and the county  
 14.17 in which the property is located; and

14.18 (5) a listing of any contract, professional license, lease, or franchise that meets the  
 14.19 following criteria:

14.20 (i) it is held by the individual or the individual's spouse or any business in which the  
 14.21 individual has an ownership interest of 25 percent or more; and

14.22 (ii) it is entered into with, or issued by, the government agency on which the individual  
 14.23 serves as a public or local official.

14.24 (c) The listings required in paragraph (b), clauses (3) to (5), must not identify whether  
 14.25 the individual or the individual's spouse is associated with or owns the listed item.

14.26 (d) If an individual listed in paragraph (a) also holds a public official position that is not  
 14.27 listed in paragraph (a), the individual must file a statement of economic interest that includes  
 14.28 the information specified in subdivision 5, paragraph (a).

14.29 Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.121, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

14.30 Subdivision 1. **Permitted disbursements.** An independent expenditure political  
 14.31 committee or fund, or a ballot question political committee or fund, may:

15.1 (1) pay costs associated with its fundraising and general operations;

15.2 (2) pay for communications that do not constitute contributions or approved expenditures;

15.3 (3) make contributions to independent expenditure or ballot question political committees  
 15.4 or funds;

15.5 (4) make independent expenditures;

15.6 (5) make expenditures to promote or defeat ballot questions;

15.7 (6) return a contribution to its source;

15.8 (7) for a political fund, record bookkeeping entries transferring the association's general  
 15.9 treasury money allocated for political purposes back to the general treasury of the association;

15.10 ~~and~~

15.11 (8) for a political fund, return general treasury money transferred to a separate depository  
 15.12 to the general depository of the association; and

15.13 (9) make disbursements for electioneering communications.

15.14 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2024, and applies to  
 15.15 expenditures and electioneering communications made on or after that date.

162.11 Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.121, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

162.12 Subd. 2. **Penalty.** (a) An independent expenditure political committee ~~or~~<sub>2</sub> independent  
162.13 expenditure political fund, ballot question political committee, or ballot question political  
162.14 fund is subject to a civil penalty of up to four times the amount of the contribution or  
162.15 approved expenditure if it does the following:

162.16 (1) makes a contribution to a candidate, local candidate, party unit, political committee,  
162.17 or political fund other than an independent expenditure political committee ~~or~~<sub>2</sub> an independent  
162.18 expenditure political fund, ballot question political committee, or ballot question political  
162.19 fund; or

162.20 (2) makes an approved expenditure.

162.21 (b) No other penalty provided in law may be imposed for conduct that is subject to a  
162.22 civil penalty under this section.

162.23 Sec. 25. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.15, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

162.24 Subd. 5. **Registration number on checks.** A contribution made to a candidate or local  
162.25 candidate by a lobbyist, political committee, political fund, or party unit must show the  
162.26 name of the lobbyist, political committee, political fund, or party unit and the number under  
162.27 which it is registered with the board.

15.16 Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.121, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

15.17 Subd. 2. **Penalty.** (a) An independent expenditure political committee ~~or~~<sub>2</sub> independent  
15.18 expenditure political fund, ballot question political committee, or ballot question political  
15.19 fund is subject to a civil penalty of up to four times the amount of the contribution or  
15.20 approved expenditure if it does the following:

15.21 (1) makes a contribution to a candidate, local candidate, party unit, political committee,  
15.22 or political fund other than an independent expenditure political committee ~~or~~<sub>2</sub> an independent  
15.23 expenditure political fund, ballot question political committee, or ballot question political  
15.24 fund; or

15.25 (2) makes an approved expenditure.

15.26 (b) No other penalty provided in law may be imposed for conduct that is subject to a  
15.27 civil penalty under this section.

15.28 Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.15, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

15.29 Subd. 3. **Deposit.** All contributions received by or on behalf of a candidate, principal  
15.30 campaign committee, political committee, political fund, or party unit must be deposited in  
16.1 an placed in a depository account designated "Campaign Fund of .... (name of candidate,  
16.2 committee, fund, or party unit)." All contributions must be deposited promptly upon receipt  
16.3 and, except for contributions received during the last three days of a reporting period as  
16.4 described in section 10A.20, must be deposited during the reporting period in which they  
16.5 were received. A contribution received during the last three days of a reporting period must  
16.6 be deposited within 72 hours after receipt and must be reported as received during the  
16.7 reporting period whether or not deposited within that period. A contribution must not be  
16.8 deposited in any other account prior to being deposited within a depository of the principal  
16.9 campaign committee, political committee, political fund, or party unit. However, a  
16.10 contribution may temporarily be held within a digital wallet or other account immediately  
16.11 after receipt if the recipient principal campaign committee, political committee, political  
16.12 fund, or party unit has sole ownership of that account. A candidate, principal campaign  
16.13 committee, political committee, political fund, or party unit may refuse to accept a  
16.14 contribution. A deposited contribution may be returned to the contributor within 90 days  
16.15 after deposit. A contribution deposited and not returned within 90 days after that deposit  
16.16 must be reported as accepted.

16.17 Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.15, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

16.18 Subd. 5. **Registration number on checks.** A contribution made to a candidate or local  
16.19 candidate by a lobbyist, political committee, political fund, or party unit must show the  
16.20 name of the lobbyist, political committee, political fund, or party unit and the number under  
16.21 which it is registered with the board.

163.1 Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.15, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
163.2 read:

163.3 Subd. 8. **Virtual currency contributions.** (a) A principal campaign committee, political  
163.4 committee, political fund, or party unit may accept a donation in kind in the form of virtual  
163.5 currency. The value of donated virtual currency is its fair market value at the time it is  
163.6 donated. The recipient of a virtual currency contribution must sell the virtual currency in  
163.7 exchange for United States currency within five business days after receipt.

163.8 (b) Any increase in the value of donated virtual currency after its donation, but before  
163.9 its conversion to United States currency, must be reported as a receipt that is not a  
163.10 contribution pursuant to section 10A.20, subdivision 3. Any decrease in the value of donated  
163.11 virtual currency after its donation, but before its conversion to United States currency, must  
163.12 be reported as an expenditure pursuant to section 10A.20, subdivision 3.

163.13 (c) A principal campaign committee, political committee, political fund, or party unit  
163.14 may not purchase goods or services with virtual currency.

16.22 Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.15, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
16.23 read:

16.24 Subd. 8. **Virtual currency contributions.** (a) A principal campaign committee, political  
16.25 committee, political fund, or party unit may accept a donation in kind in the form of virtual  
16.26 currency. Any virtual currency contribution must be made and received through a virtual  
16.27 currency payment processor based in the United States that is registered with the United  
16.28 States Department of Treasury and which utilizes protocols to verify the identity of the  
16.29 contributor for all contributions. The value of donated virtual currency is its fair market  
16.30 value at the time it is donated. The recipient of a virtual currency contribution must sell the  
16.31 virtual currency in exchange for United States currency within five business days after  
16.32 receipt.

17.1 (b) Any increase in the value of donated virtual currency after its donation, but before  
17.2 its conversion to United States currency, must be reported as a receipt that is not a  
17.3 contribution pursuant to section 10A.20, subdivision 3. Any decrease in the value of donated  
17.4 virtual currency after its donation, but before its conversion to United States currency, must  
17.5 be reported as an expenditure pursuant to section 10A.20, subdivision 3.

17.6 (c) A principal campaign committee, political committee, political fund, or party unit  
17.7 may not purchase goods or services with virtual currency.

17.8 Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.15, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
17.9 read:

17.10 Subd. 9. **Mobile payments.** (a) A principal campaign committee, political committee,  
17.11 political fund, or party unit may accept a contribution of money made using a mobile payment  
17.12 service or platform, a service that is dependent upon direct carrier billing, or a website.

17.13 (b) A principal campaign committee, political committee, political fund, or party unit  
17.14 may not solicit or accept a contribution made using a mobile payment service or platform  
17.15 that, to a potential contributor, displays only the name of an individual as the recipient or  
17.16 displays a name for the recipient that is not substantially similar to the name under which  
17.17 the recipient is registered with the board.

17.18 (c) A mobile payment contribution must be deposited pursuant to subdivision 3 before  
17.19 the funds received may be used to make an expenditure or disbursement other than payment  
17.20 of any processing fee charged for using the mobile payment service or platform.

17.21 Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.17, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

17.22 Subd. 5. **Penalty.** A person who violates subdivision 2 or 6 is subject to a civil penalty  
17.23 imposed by the board of up to \$1,000. A person who knowingly violates subdivision 3a or  
17.24 4 or falsely claims that an expenditure was an independent expenditure is guilty of a gross  
17.25 misdemeanor and subject to a civil penalty imposed by the board of up to \$3,000.

163.15 Sec. 27. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.20, subdivision 2a, is amended to read:

163.16 Subd. 2a. **Local election reports.** (a) This subdivision applies to a political committee,  
163.17 political fund, or political party unit that during a non-general election year:

163.18 (1) spends in aggregate more than \$200 to influence the nomination or election of local  
163.19 candidates;

163.20 (2) spends in aggregate more than \$200 to make independent expenditures on behalf of  
163.21 local candidates; or

163.22 (3) spends in aggregate more than \$200 to promote or defeat ballot questions defined  
163.23 in section 10A.01, subdivision 7, clause (2), (3), or (4).

163.24 (b) In addition to the reports required by subdivision 2, the entities listed in paragraph  
163.25 (a) must file the following reports in each non-general election year:

163.26 (1) a first-quarter report covering the calendar year through March 31, which is due  
163.27 April 14;

163.28 (2) a report covering the calendar year through May 31, which is due June 14;

163.29 (3) a pre-primary-election report due 15 days before the local primary election date  
163.30 specified in section 205.065;

163.31 (4) a pre-general-election report due 42 days before the local general election; and

164.1 (5) a pre-general-election report due ten days before a local general election.

164.2 The reporting obligations in this paragraph begin with the first report due after the  
164.3 reporting period in which the entity reaches the spending threshold specified in paragraph  
164.4 (a). The pre-primary report required under clause (3) is required for all entities required to  
164.5 report under paragraph (a), regardless of whether the candidate or issue is on the primary  
164.6 ballot.

164.7 Sec. 28. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.20, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

164.8 Subd. 5. **Pre-election reports.** (a) Any loan, contribution, or contributions:

164.9 (1) to a political committee or political fund from any one source totaling more than  
164.10 \$1,000;

164.11 (2) to the principal campaign committee of a candidate for an appellate court judicial  
164.12 office totaling more than \$2,000;

17.26 Sec. 25. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.17, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
17.27 read:

17.28 Subd. 6. **Use of depository.** A political committee, political fund, principal campaign  
17.29 committee, or party unit may not expend money unless the expenditure or other disbursement  
17.30 is made using petty cash or a depository of that committee, fund, or party unit.

18.1 Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.20, subdivision 2a, is amended to read:

18.2 Subd. 2a. **Local election reports.** (a) This subdivision applies to a political committee,  
18.3 political fund, or political party unit that during a non-general election year:

18.4 (1) spends in aggregate more than \$200 to influence the nomination or election of local  
18.5 candidates;

18.6 (2) spends in aggregate more than \$200 to make independent expenditures on behalf of  
18.7 local candidates; or

18.8 (3) spends in aggregate more than \$200 to promote or defeat ballot questions defined  
18.9 in section 10A.01, subdivision 7, clause (2), (3), or (4).

18.10 (b) In addition to the reports required by subdivision 2, the entities listed in paragraph  
18.11 (a) must file the following reports in each non-general election year:

18.12 (1) a first-quarter report covering the calendar year through March 31, which is due  
18.13 April 14;

18.14 (2) a report covering the calendar year through May 31, which is due June 14;

18.15 (3) a pre-primary-election report due 15 days before the local primary election date  
18.16 specified in section 205.065;

18.17 (4) a pre-general-election report due 42 days before the local general election; and

18.18 (5) a pre-general-election report due ten days before a local general election.

18.19 The reporting obligations in this paragraph begin with the first report due after the  
18.20 reporting period in which the entity reaches the spending threshold specified in paragraph  
18.21 (a). The pre-primary report required under clause (3) is required for all entities required to  
18.22 report under paragraph (a), regardless of whether the candidate or issue is on the primary  
18.23 ballot.

18.24 Sec. 27. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.20, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

18.25 Subd. 5. **Pre-election reports.** (a) Any loan, contribution, or contributions:

18.26 (1) to a political committee or political fund from any one source totaling more than  
18.27 \$1,000;

18.28 (2) to the principal campaign committee of a candidate for an appellate court judicial  
18.29 office totaling more than \$2,000;

164.13 (3) to the principal campaign committee of a candidate for district court judge totaling  
 164.14 more than \$400; or

164.15 (4) to the principal campaign committee of a candidate for constitutional office or for  
 164.16 the legislature totaling more than 50 percent of the election segment contribution limit for  
 164.17 the office,

164.18 received between the last day covered in the last report before an election and the election  
 164.19 must be reported to the board in the manner provided in paragraph (b).

164.20 (b) A loan, contribution, or contributions required to be reported to the board under  
 164.21 paragraph (a) must be reported to the board either:

164.22 (1) in person by the end of the next business day after its receipt; or

164.23 (2) by electronic means sent ~~within 24 hours after its receipt~~ by the end of the next  
 164.24 business day after its receipt.

164.25 (c) These loans and contributions must also be reported in the next required report.

164.26 (d) This notice requirement does not apply in a primary election to a candidate who is  
 164.27 unopposed in the primary, in a primary election to a ballot question political committee or  
 164.28 fund, or in a general election to a candidate whose name is not on the general election ballot.  
 164.29 The board must post the report on its website by the end of the next business day after it is  
 164.30 received.

165.1 (e) This subdivision does not apply to a ballot question or independent expenditure  
 165.2 political committee or fund that has not met the registration threshold of section 10A.14,  
 165.3 subdivision 1a. However, if a contribution that would be subject to this section triggers the  
 165.4 registration requirement in section 10A.14, subdivision 1a, then both registration under that  
 165.5 section and reporting under this section are required.

165.6 Sec. 29. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.20, subdivision 12, is amended to read:

165.7 Subd. 12. **Failure to file; late fees; penalty.** (a) If an individual or association fails to  
 165.8 file a report required by this section or section 10A.202, the board may impose a late filing  
 165.9 fee as provided in this subdivision.

165.10 (b) If an individual or association fails to file a report required by this section that is due  
 165.11 January 31, the board may impose a late filing fee of \$25 per day, not to exceed \$1,000,  
 165.12 commencing the day after the report was due.

165.13 (c) If an individual or association fails to file a report required by this section that is due  
 165.14 before a primary or general election, subdivision 2, 2a, or 5, or by section 10A.202, the  
 165.15 board may impose a late filing fee of \$50 per day, not to exceed \$1,000, commencing on  
 165.16 the day after the date the statement was due, provided that if the total receipts received

19.1 (3) to the principal campaign committee of a candidate for district court judge totaling  
 19.2 more than \$400; or

19.3 (4) to the principal campaign committee of a candidate for constitutional office or for  
 19.4 the legislature totaling more than 50 percent of the election segment contribution limit for  
 19.5 the office,

19.6 received between the last day covered in the last report before an election and the election  
 19.7 must be reported to the board in the manner provided in paragraph (b).

19.8 (b) A loan, contribution, or contributions required to be reported to the board under  
 19.9 paragraph (a) must be reported to the board either:

19.10 (1) in person by the end of the next business day after its receipt; or

19.11 (2) by electronic means sent ~~within 24 hours after its receipt~~ by the end of the next  
 19.12 business day after its receipt.

19.13 (c) These loans and contributions must also be reported in the next required report.

19.14 (d) This notice requirement does not apply in a primary election to a candidate who is  
 19.15 unopposed in the primary, in a primary election to a ballot question political committee or  
 19.16 fund, or in a general election to a candidate whose name is not on the general election ballot.  
 19.17 The board must post the report on its website by the end of the next business day after it is  
 19.18 received.

19.19 (e) This subdivision does not apply to a ballot question or independent expenditure  
 19.20 political committee or fund that has not met the registration threshold of section 10A.14,  
 19.21 subdivision 1a. However, if a contribution that would be subject to this section triggers the  
 19.22 registration requirement in section 10A.14, subdivision 1a, then both registration under that  
 19.23 section and reporting under this section are required.

19.24 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2024, and applies to  
 19.25 expenditures and electioneering communications made on or after that date.

165.17 during the reporting period or total expenditure reportable under section 10A.202 exceeds  
 165.18 \$25,000, then the board may impose a late filing fee of up to two percent of the amount that  
 165.19 should have been reported, per day, commencing on the day after the report was due, not  
 165.20 to exceed 100 percent of the amount that should have been reported.

165.21 (d) If an individual or association has been assessed a late filing fee under this subdivision  
 165.22 during the prior four years, the board may impose a late filing fee of up to twice the amount  
 165.23 otherwise authorized by this subdivision.

165.24 (e) Within ten business days after the report was due or receipt by the board of  
 165.25 information disclosing the potential failure to file a report required by this section, the board  
 165.26 must send notice by certified mail to an individual who fails to file a report within ten  
 165.27 business days after the report was due that the individual or association may be subject to  
 165.28 a civil penalty for failure to file the report. An individual who fails to file the report within  
 165.29 seven days after the certified mail notice was sent by the board is subject to a civil penalty  
 165.30 imposed by the board of up to \$1,000 in addition to the late filing fees imposed by this  
 165.31 subdivision.

166.1 Sec. 30. **[10A.201] ELECTIONEERING COMMUNICATIONS; DEFINITIONS.**

166.2 Subdivision 1. Definitions. The terms defined in this section apply to this section and  
 166.3 to section 10A.202.

166.4 Subd. 2. Broadcast, cable, or satellite communication. "Broadcast, cable, or satellite  
 166.5 communication" means a communication that is publicly distributed by a television station,  
 166.6 radio station, cable television system, or satellite system.

166.7 Subd. 3. Can be received by 10,000 or more individuals. (a) "Can be received by  
 166.8 10,000 or more individuals" means:

166.9 (1) in the case of a communication transmitted by an FM radio broadcast station or  
 166.10 network, where the district lies entirely within the station's or network's protected or primary  
 166.11 service contour, that the population of the district is 10,000 or more;

166.12 (2) in the case of a communication transmitted by an FM radio broadcast station or  
 166.13 network, where a portion of the district lies outside of the protected or primary service  
 166.14 contour, that the population of the part of the district lying within the station's or network's  
 166.15 protected or primary service contour is 10,000 or more;

166.16 (3) in the case of a communication transmitted by an AM radio broadcast station or  
 166.17 network, where the district lies entirely within the station's or network's most outward service  
 166.18 area, that the population of the district is 10,000 or more;

166.19 (4) in the case of a communication transmitted by an AM radio broadcast station or  
 166.20 network, where a portion of the district lies outside of the station's or network's most outward  
 166.21 service area, that the population of the part of the district lying within the station's or  
 166.22 network's most outward service area is 10,000 or more;

19.26 Sec. 28. **[10A.201] ELECTIONEERING COMMUNICATIONS; DEFINITIONS.**

19.27 Subdivision 1. Definitions. The terms defined in this section apply to this section and  
 19.28 to section 10A.202.

19.29 Subd. 2. Broadcast, cable, or satellite communication. "Broadcast, cable, or satellite  
 19.30 communication" means a communication that is publicly distributed by a television station,  
 19.31 radio station, cable television system, or satellite system.

20.1 Subd. 3. Can be received by 10,000 or more individuals. (a) "Can be received by  
 20.2 10,000 or more individuals" means:

20.3 (1) in the case of a communication transmitted by an FM radio broadcast station or  
 20.4 network, where the district lies entirely within the station's or network's protected or primary  
 20.5 service contour, that the population of the district is 10,000 or more;

20.6 (2) in the case of a communication transmitted by an FM radio broadcast station or  
 20.7 network, where a portion of the district lies outside of the protected or primary service  
 20.8 contour, that the population of the part of the district lying within the station's or network's  
 20.9 protected or primary service contour is 10,000 or more;

20.10 (3) in the case of a communication transmitted by an AM radio broadcast station or  
 20.11 network, where the district lies entirely within the station's or network's most outward service  
 20.12 area, that the population of the district is 10,000 or more;

20.13 (4) in the case of a communication transmitted by an AM radio broadcast station or  
 20.14 network, where a portion of the district lies outside of the station's or network's most outward  
 20.15 service area, that the population of the part of the district lying within the station's or  
 20.16 network's most outward service area is 10,000 or more;

166.23 (5) in the case of a communication appearing on a television broadcast station or network,  
 166.24 where the district lies entirely within the station's or network's Grade B broadcast contour,  
 166.25 that the population of the district is 10,000 or more;

166.26 (6) in the case of a communication appearing on a television broadcast station or network,  
 166.27 where a portion of the district lies outside of the Grade B broadcast contour:

166.28 (i) that the population of the part of the district lying within the station's or network's  
 166.29 Grade B broadcast contour is 10,000 or more; or

166.30 (ii) that the population of the part of the district lying within the station's or network's  
 166.31 broadcast contour, when combined with the viewership of that television station or network  
 167.1 by cable and satellite subscribers within the district lying outside the broadcast contour, is  
 167.2 10,000 or more;

167.3 (7) in the case of a communication appearing exclusively on a cable or satellite television  
 167.4 system, but not on a broadcast station or network, that the viewership of the cable system  
 167.5 or satellite system lying within a district is 10,000 or more; or

167.6 (8) in the case of a communication appearing on a cable television network, that the  
 167.7 total cable and satellite viewership within a district is 10,000 or more.

167.8 (b) Cable or satellite television viewership is determined by multiplying the number of  
 167.9 subscribers within a district, or a part thereof, as appropriate, by the current national average  
 167.10 household size, as determined by the Bureau of the Census.

167.11 (c) A determination that a communication can be received by 10,000 or more individuals  
 167.12 based on the application of the formula in this section shall create a rebuttable presumption  
 167.13 that may be overcome by demonstrating that:

167.14 (1) one or more cable or satellite systems did not carry the network on which the  
 167.15 communication was publicly distributed at the time the communication was publicly  
 167.16 distributed; and

167.17 (2) applying the formula to the remaining cable and satellite systems results in a  
 167.18 determination that the cable network or systems upon which the communication was publicly  
 167.19 distributed could not be received by 10,000 individuals or more.

167.20 Subd. 4. **Direct costs of producing or airing electioneering communications.** "Direct  
 167.21 costs of producing or airing electioneering communications" means:

167.22 (1) costs charged by a vendor, including studio rental time, staff salaries, costs of video  
 167.23 or audio recording media, and talent; and

167.24 (2) the cost of airtime on broadcast, cable, or satellite radio and television stations, studio  
 167.25 time, material costs, and the charges for a broker to purchase the airtime.

167.26 Subd. 5. **Disclosure date.** "Disclosure date" means:

20.17 (5) in the case of a communication appearing on a television broadcast station or network,  
 20.18 where the district lies entirely within the station's or network's Grade B broadcast contour,  
 20.19 that the population of the district is 10,000 or more;

20.20 (6) in the case of a communication appearing on a television broadcast station or network,  
 20.21 where a portion of the district lies outside of the Grade B broadcast contour:

20.22 (i) that the population of the part of the district lying within the station's or network's  
 20.23 Grade B broadcast contour is 10,000 or more; or

20.24 (ii) that the population of the part of the district lying within the station's or network's  
 20.25 broadcast contour, when combined with the viewership of that television station or network  
 20.26 by cable and satellite subscribers within the district lying outside the broadcast contour, is  
 20.27 10,000 or more;

20.28 (7) in the case of a communication appearing exclusively on a cable or satellite television  
 20.29 system, but not on a broadcast station or network, that the viewership of the cable system  
 20.30 or satellite system lying within a district is 10,000 or more; or

20.31 (8) in the case of a communication appearing on a cable television network, that the  
 20.32 total cable and satellite viewership within a district is 10,000 or more.

21.1 (b) Cable or satellite television viewership is determined by multiplying the number of  
 21.2 subscribers within a district, or a part thereof, as appropriate, by the current average  
 21.3 household size for Minnesota, as determined by the Bureau of the Census.

21.4 (c) A determination that a communication can be received by 10,000 or more individuals  
 21.5 based on the application of the formula in this section shall create a rebuttable presumption  
 21.6 that may be overcome by demonstrating that:

21.7 (1) one or more cable or satellite systems did not carry the network on which the  
 21.8 communication was publicly distributed at the time the communication was publicly  
 21.9 distributed; and

21.10 (2) applying the formula to the remaining cable and satellite systems results in a  
 21.11 determination that the cable network or systems upon which the communication was publicly  
 21.12 distributed could not be received by 10,000 individuals or more.

21.13 Subd. 4. **Direct costs of producing or airing electioneering communications.** "Direct  
 21.14 costs of producing or airing electioneering communications" means:

21.15 (1) costs charged by a vendor, including studio rental time, staff salaries, costs of video  
 21.16 or audio recording media, and talent; and

21.17 (2) the cost of airtime on broadcast, cable, or satellite radio and television stations, studio  
 21.18 time, material costs, and the charges for a broker to purchase the airtime.

21.19 Subd. 5. **Disclosure date.** "Disclosure date" means:

167.27 (1) the first date on which an electioneering communication is publicly distributed,  
 167.28 provided that the person making the electioneering communication has made one or more  
 167.29 disbursements, or has executed one or more contracts to make disbursements, for the direct  
 167.30 costs of producing or airing one or more electioneering communications aggregating in  
 167.31 excess of \$10,000; or

168.1 (2) any other date during the same calendar year on which an electioneering  
 168.2 communication is publicly distributed, provided that the person making the electioneering  
 168.3 communication has made one or more disbursements, or has executed one or more contracts  
 168.4 to make disbursements, for the direct costs of producing or airing one or more electioneering  
 168.5 communications aggregating in excess of \$10,000 since the most recent disclosure date  
 168.6 during that calendar year.

168.7 Subd. 6. **Electioneering communication.** (a) "Electioneering communication" means  
 168.8 any broadcast, cable, or satellite communication that:

168.9 (1) refers to a clearly identified candidate for state office;

168.10 (2) is publicly distributed within 60 days before a general election for the office sought  
 168.11 by the candidate; or within 30 days before a primary election, or a convention or caucus of  
 168.12 a political party that has authority to nominate a candidate, for the office sought by the  
 168.13 candidate, and the candidate referenced is seeking the nomination of that political party;  
 168.14 and

168.15 (3) is targeted to the relevant electorate, in the case of a candidate for senate, house of  
 168.16 representatives, or other office elected by district.

168.17 (b) A communication is not an electioneering communication if it:

168.18 (1) is publicly disseminated through a means of communication other than a broadcast,  
 168.19 cable, or satellite television or radio station;

168.20 (2) appears in a news story, commentary, or editorial distributed through the facilities  
 168.21 of any broadcast, cable, or satellite television or radio station, unless such facilities are  
 168.22 owned or controlled by any political party, political committee, or candidate, provided that  
 168.23 a news story distributed through a broadcast, cable, or satellite television or radio station  
 168.24 owned or controlled by any political party, political committee, or candidate is not an  
 168.25 electioneering communication if the news story meets the requirements described in Code  
 168.26 of Federal Regulations, title 11, section 100.132(a) and (b);

168.27 (3) constitutes an expenditure or independent expenditure, provided that the expenditure  
 168.28 or independent expenditure is required to be reported under this chapter;

168.29 (4) constitutes a candidate debate or forum, or that solely promotes such a debate or  
 168.30 forum and is made by or on behalf of the person sponsoring the debate or forum; or

168.31 (5) is paid for by a candidate.

21.20 (1) the first date on which an electioneering communication is publicly distributed,  
 21.21 provided that the person making the electioneering communication has made one or more  
 21.22 disbursements, or has executed one or more contracts to make disbursements, for the direct  
 21.23 costs of producing or airing one or more electioneering communications aggregating in  
 21.24 excess of \$10,000; or

21.25 (2) any other date during the same calendar year on which an electioneering  
 21.26 communication is publicly distributed, provided that the person making the electioneering  
 21.27 communication has made one or more disbursements, or has executed one or more contracts  
 21.28 to make disbursements, for the direct costs of producing or airing one or more electioneering  
 21.29 communications aggregating in excess of \$10,000 since the most recent disclosure date  
 21.30 during that calendar year.

21.31 Subd. 6. **Electioneering communication.** (a) "Electioneering communication" means  
 21.32 any broadcast, cable, or satellite communication that:

22.1 (1) refers to a clearly identified candidate for state office;

22.2 (2) is publicly distributed within 60 days before a general election for the office sought  
 22.3 by the candidate; or within 30 days before a primary election, **presidential nomination**  
 22.4 **primary,** or a convention or caucus of a political party that has authority to nominate a  
 22.5 candidate, for the office sought by the candidate, and the candidate referenced is seeking  
 22.6 the nomination of that political party; and

22.7 (3) is targeted to the relevant electorate.

22.8 (b) A communication is not an electioneering communication if it:

22.9 (1) is publicly disseminated through a means of communication other than a broadcast,  
 22.10 cable, or satellite television or radio station;

22.11 (2) appears in a news story, commentary, or editorial distributed through the facilities  
 22.12 of any broadcast, cable, or satellite television or radio station, unless such facilities are  
 22.13 owned or controlled by any political party, political committee, or candidate, provided that  
 22.14 a news story distributed through a broadcast, cable, or satellite television or radio station  
 22.15 owned or controlled by any political party, political committee, or candidate is not an  
 22.16 electioneering communication if the news story meets the requirements described in Code  
 22.17 of Federal Regulations, title 11, section 100.132(a) and (b);

22.18 (3) constitutes an expenditure or independent expenditure, provided that the expenditure  
 22.19 or independent expenditure is required to be reported under this chapter;

22.20 (4) constitutes a candidate debate or forum, or that solely promotes such a debate or  
 22.21 forum and is made by or on behalf of the person sponsoring the debate or forum; or

22.22 (5) is paid for by a candidate.



169.1 Subd. 7. **Identification.** "Identification" means, in the case of an individual, the  
 169.2 individual's full name, including first name, middle name or initial, if available, and last  
 169.3 name; mailing address; occupation; and the name of the individual's employer; and, in the  
 169.4 case of a person who is not an individual, the person's name and principal place of business.

169.5 Subd. 8. **Individuals sharing or exercising direction or control.** "Individuals sharing  
 169.6 or exercising direction or control" means officers, directors, executive directors or the  
 169.7 equivalent, partners, and in the case of unincorporated organizations, owners, of the entity  
 169.8 or person making the disbursement for the electioneering communication.

169.9 Subd. 9. **Publicly distributed.** "Publicly distributed" means aired, broadcast, cablecast,  
 169.10 or otherwise disseminated through the facilities of a television station, radio station, cable  
 169.11 television system, or satellite system.

169.12 Subd. 10. **Refers to a clearly identified candidate.** "Refers to a clearly identified  
 169.13 candidate" means that the candidate's name, nickname, photograph, or drawing appears, or  
 169.14 the identity of the candidate is otherwise apparent through an unambiguous reference such  
 169.15 as "the governor," "your legislator," or "the incumbent," or through an unambiguous reference  
 169.16 to the candidate's status as a candidate such as "the [political party] gubernatorial nominee"  
 169.17 or "the [political party] candidate for senate."

169.18 Subd. 11. **Targeted to the relevant electorate.** "Targeted to the relevant electorate"  
 169.19 means the communication can be received by 10,000 or more individuals:

169.20 (1) in the district the candidate seeks to represent, in the case of a candidate for  
 169.21 representative, senator, or other office represented by district; or

169.22 (2) in the entire state, if the candidate seeks a statewide office.

169.23 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2024, and applies to  
 169.24 expenditures and electioneering communications made on or after that date.

169.25 Sec. 31. **[10A.202] ELECTIONEERING COMMUNICATION; REPORTING**  
 169.26 **REQUIREMENTS.**

169.27 Subdivision 1. **Reports required.** Any person who has made an electioneering  
 169.28 communication, as defined in section 10A.201, aggregating in excess of \$10,000 during  
 169.29 any calendar year shall file a statement with the board no later than 11:59 p.m. on the day  
 169.30 following the disclosure date. The statement shall be filed under penalty of perjury, and  
 169.31 must contain the information set forth in subdivision 2. Political committees that make a  
 169.32 communication described in section 10A.201 must report the communication as a campaign  
 170.1 expenditure or independent expenditure as otherwise provided by this chapter and are not  
 170.2 required to file a report under this section.

170.3 Subd. 2. **Content of report.** A statement of electioneering communications required by  
 170.4 this section shall disclose the following information:

22.23 Subd. 7. **Identification.** "Identification" means, in the case of an individual, the  
 22.24 individual's full name including first name, middle name or initial if available, and last  
 22.25 name; mailing address; occupation; and name of the individual's employer and, in the case  
 22.26 of a person who is not an individual, the person's name and principal place of business.

22.27 Subd. 8. **Individuals sharing or exercising direction or control.** "Individuals sharing  
 22.28 or exercising direction or control" means officers, directors, executive directors or the  
 22.29 equivalent, partners, and in the case of unincorporated organizations, owners, of the entity  
 22.30 or person making the disbursement for the electioneering communication.

23.1 Subd. 9. **Publicly distributed.** "Publicly distributed" means aired, broadcast, cablecast,  
 23.2 or otherwise disseminated through the facilities of a television station, radio station, cable  
 23.3 television system, or satellite system.

23.4 Subd. 10. **Refers to a clearly identified candidate.** "Refers to a clearly identified  
 23.5 candidate" means that the candidate's name, nickname, photograph, or drawing appears, or  
 23.6 the identity of the candidate is otherwise apparent through an unambiguous reference such  
 23.7 as "the governor," "your legislator," or "the incumbent," or through an unambiguous reference  
 23.8 to the candidate's status as a candidate such as "the [political party] gubernatorial nominee"  
 23.9 or "the [political party] candidate for senate."

23.10 Subd. 11. **Targeted to the relevant electorate.** "Targeted to the relevant electorate"  
 23.11 means the communication can be received by 10,000 or more individuals:

23.12 (1) in the district the candidate seeks to represent, in the case of a candidate for  
 23.13 representative, senator, or other office represented by district; or

23.14 (2) in the entire state, if the candidate seeks a statewide office.

23.15 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2024, and applies to  
 23.16 expenditures and electioneering communications made on or after that date.

23.17 Sec. 29. **[10A.202] ELECTIONEERING COMMUNICATION; REPORTING**  
 23.18 **REQUIREMENTS.**

23.19 Subdivision 1. **Reports required.** Any person who has made an electioneering  
 23.20 communication, as defined in section 10A.201, aggregating in excess of \$10,000 during  
 23.21 any calendar year shall file a statement with the board no later than 11:59 p.m. on the day  
 23.22 following the disclosure date. The statement shall be filed under penalty of perjury, and  
 23.23 must contain the information set forth in subdivision 2. Political committees that make a  
 23.24 communication described in section 10A.201 must report the communication as a campaign  
 23.25 expenditure or independent expenditure as otherwise provided by this chapter and are not  
 23.26 required to file a report under this section.

23.27 Subd. 2. **Content of report.** A statement of electioneering communications required by  
 23.28 this section shall disclose the following information:

170.5 (1) the identification of the person who made the disbursement or who executed a contract  
 170.6 to make a disbursement and, if the person is not an individual, the person's principal place  
 170.7 of business;

170.8 (2) the identification of any individual sharing or exercising direction or control over  
 170.9 the activities of the person who made the disbursement or who executed a contract to make  
 170.10 a disbursement;

170.11 (3) the identification of the custodian of the books and accounts from which the  
 170.12 disbursements were made;

170.13 (4) the amount of each disbursement, or amount obligated, of more than \$200 during  
 170.14 the period covered by the statement, the date the disbursement was made or the contract  
 170.15 was executed, and the identification of the person to whom that disbursement was made;

170.16 (5) all clearly identified candidates referred to in the electioneering communication and  
 170.17 the elections in which they are candidates;

170.18 (6) the disclosure date;

170.19 (7) if the disbursements were paid exclusively from a segregated bank account consisting  
 170.20 of funds provided solely by persons other than national banks, corporations organized by  
 170.21 federal law or the laws of this state, or foreign nationals, the name and address of each donor  
 170.22 who donated an amount aggregating \$1,000 or more to the segregated bank account,  
 170.23 aggregating since the first day of the preceding calendar year;

170.24 (8) if the disbursements were not paid exclusively from a segregated bank account  
 170.25 consisting of funds provided solely by persons other than national banks, corporations  
 170.26 organized by federal law or the laws of this state, or foreign nationals, and were not made  
 170.27 by a corporation or labor organization, the name and address of each donor who donated  
 170.28 an amount aggregating \$1,000 or more to the person making the disbursement, aggregating  
 170.29 since the first day of the preceding calendar year; and

170.30 (9) if the disbursements were made by a corporation or labor organization and were not  
 170.31 paid exclusively from a segregated bank account consisting of funds provided solely by  
 170.32 persons other than national banks, corporations organized by federal law or the laws of this  
 170.33 state, or foreign nationals, the name and address of each person who made a donation  
 171.1 aggregating \$1,000 or more to the corporation or labor organization, aggregating since the  
 171.2 first day of the preceding calendar year, which was made for the purpose of furthering  
 171.3 electioneering communications.

171.4 Subd. 3. **Recordkeeping.** All persons who make electioneering communications or who  
 171.5 accept donations for the purpose of making electioneering communications must maintain  
 171.6 records as necessary to comply with the requirements of this section.

23.29 (1) the identification of the person who made the disbursement or who executed a contract  
 23.30 to make a disbursement and, if the person is not an individual, the person's principal place  
 23.31 of business;

24.1 (2) the identification of any individual sharing or exercising direction or control over  
 24.2 the activities of the person who made the disbursement or who executed a contract to make  
 24.3 a disbursement;

24.4 (3) the identification of the custodian of the books and accounts from which the  
 24.5 disbursements were made;

24.6 (4) the amount of each disbursement, or amount obligated, of more than \$200 during  
 24.7 the period covered by the statement, the date the disbursement was made or the contract  
 24.8 was executed, and the identification of the person to whom that disbursement was made;

24.9 (5) all clearly identified candidates referred to in the electioneering communication and  
 24.10 the elections in which they are candidates;

24.11 (6) the disclosure date;

24.12 (7) if the disbursements were paid exclusively from a segregated bank account consisting  
 24.13 of funds provided solely by persons other than national banks, corporations organized by  
 24.14 federal law or the laws of this state, or foreign nationals, the name and address of each donor  
 24.15 who donated an amount aggregating \$1,000 or more to the segregated bank account,  
 24.16 aggregating since the first day of the preceding calendar year;

24.17 (8) if the disbursements were not paid exclusively from a segregated bank account  
 24.18 consisting of funds provided solely by persons other than national banks, corporations  
 24.19 organized by federal law or the laws of this state, or foreign nationals, and were not made  
 24.20 by a corporation or labor organization, the name and address of each donor who donated  
 24.21 an amount aggregating \$1,000 or more to the person making the disbursement, aggregating  
 24.22 since the first day of the preceding calendar year; and

24.23 (9) if the disbursements were made by a corporation or labor organization and were not  
 24.24 paid exclusively from a segregated bank account consisting of funds provided solely by  
 24.25 persons other than national banks, corporations organized by federal law or the laws of this  
 24.26 state, or foreign nationals, the name and address of each person who made a donation  
 24.27 aggregating \$1,000 or more to the corporation or labor organization, aggregating since the  
 24.28 first day of the preceding calendar year, which was made for the purpose of furthering  
 24.29 electioneering communications.

24.30 Subd. 3. **Recordkeeping.** All persons who make electioneering communications or who  
 24.31 accept donations for the purpose of making electioneering communications must maintain  
 24.32 records as necessary to comply with the requirements of this section.

171.7 Subd. 4. **Disclaimer required.** An electioneering communication must include a  
 171.8 disclaimer in the same manner as required for campaign material under section 211B.04,  
 171.9 subdivision 1, paragraph (c).

171.10 Subd. 5. **Late fees; failure to file; penalties.** A person who fails to file a report required  
 171.11 by this section is subject to the late fees and penalties provided in section 10A.20, subdivision  
 171.12 12.

171.13 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2024, and applies to  
 171.14 expenditures and electioneering communications made on or after that date.

171.15 Sec. 32. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.244, is amended to read:

171.16 **10A.244 VOLUNTARY INACTIVE STATUS; POLITICAL FUNDS.**

171.17 Subdivision 1. **Election of voluntary inactive status.** An association that has a political  
 171.18 fund registered under this chapter may elect to have the fund placed on voluntary inactive  
 171.19 status if the following conditions are met:

171.20 (1) the association makes a written request for inactive status;

171.21 (2) the association has filed all periodic reports required by this chapter and has received  
 171.22 no contributions into its political fund and made no expenditures or disbursements, including  
 171.23 disbursements for electioneering communications, through its political fund since the last  
 171.24 date included on the association's most recent report; and

171.25 (3) the association has satisfied all obligations to the state for late filing fees and civil  
 171.26 penalties imposed by the board or the board has waived this requirement.

171.27 Subd. 2. **Effect of voluntary inactive status.** After an association has complied with  
 171.28 the requirements of subdivision 1:

171.29 (1) the board must notify the association that its political fund has been placed in  
 171.30 voluntary inactive status and of the terms of this section;

172.1 (2) the board must stop sending the association reports, forms, and notices of report due  
 172.2 dates that are periodically sent to entities registered with the board;

172.3 (3) the association is not required to file periodic disclosure reports for its political fund  
 172.4 as otherwise required under this chapter;

172.5 (4) the association may not accept contributions into its political fund and may not make  
 172.6 expenditures, contributions, or disbursements, including disbursements for electioneering  
 172.7 communications, through its political fund; and

172.8 (5) if the association maintains a separate depository account for its political fund, it  
 172.9 may continue to pay bank service charges and receive interest paid on that account while  
 172.10 its political fund is in inactive status.

25.1 Subd. 4. **Disclaimer required.** An electioneering communication must include a  
 25.2 disclaimer in the same manner as required for campaign material under section 211B.04,  
 25.3 subdivision 1, paragraph (c).

25.4 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2024, and applies to  
 25.5 expenditures and electioneering communications made on or after that date.

25.6 Sec. 30. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.244, is amended to read:

25.7 **10A.244 VOLUNTARY INACTIVE STATUS; POLITICAL FUNDS.**

25.8 Subdivision 1. **Election of voluntary inactive status.** An association that has a political  
 25.9 fund registered under this chapter may elect to have the fund placed on voluntary inactive  
 25.10 status if the following conditions are met:

25.11 (1) the association makes a written request for inactive status;

25.12 (2) the association has filed all periodic reports required by this chapter and has received  
 25.13 no contributions into its political fund and made no expenditures or disbursements, including  
 25.14 disbursements for electioneering communications, through its political fund since the last  
 25.15 date included on the association's most recent report; and

25.16 (3) the association has satisfied all obligations to the state for late filing fees and civil  
 25.17 penalties imposed by the board or the board has waived this requirement.

25.18 Subd. 2. **Effect of voluntary inactive status.** After an association has complied with  
 25.19 the requirements of subdivision 1:

25.20 (1) the board must notify the association that its political fund has been placed in  
 25.21 voluntary inactive status and of the terms of this section;

25.22 (2) the board must stop sending the association reports, forms, and notices of report due  
 25.23 dates that are periodically sent to entities registered with the board;

25.24 (3) the association is not required to file periodic disclosure reports for its political fund  
 25.25 as otherwise required under this chapter;

25.26 (4) the association may not accept contributions into its political fund and may not make  
 25.27 expenditures, contributions, or disbursements, including disbursements for electioneering  
 25.28 communications, through its political fund; and

25.29 (5) if the association maintains a separate depository account for its political fund, it  
 25.30 may continue to pay bank service charges and receive interest paid on that account while  
 25.31 its political fund is in inactive status.

172.11 Subd. 3. **Resumption of active status or termination.** (a) An association that has placed  
172.12 its political fund in voluntary inactive status may resume active status upon written notice  
172.13 to the board.

172.14 (b) A political fund placed in voluntary inactive status must resume active status within  
172.15 14 days of the date that it has accepted contributions or made expenditures, contributions,  
172.16 or disbursements, including disbursements for electioneering communications, that aggregate  
172.17 more than \$750 since the political fund was placed on inactive status. If, after meeting this  
172.18 threshold, the association does not notify the board that its fund has resumed active status,  
172.19 the board may place the association's political fund in active status and notify the association  
172.20 of the change in status.

172.21 (c) An association that has placed its political fund in voluntary inactive status may  
172.22 terminate the registration of the fund without returning it to active status.

172.23 Subd. 4. **Penalty for financial activity while in voluntary inactive status.** If an  
172.24 association fails to notify the board of its political fund's resumption of active status under  
172.25 subdivision 3, the board may impose a civil penalty of \$50 per day, not to exceed \$1,000  
172.26 commencing on the 15th calendar day after the fund resumed active status.

172.27 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2024, and applies to  
172.28 expenditures and electioneering communications made on or after that date.

172.29 Sec. 33. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.25, subdivision 3a, is amended to read:

172.30 Subd. 3a. **Independent expenditures and electioneering communications.** The principal  
172.31 campaign committee of a candidate must not make independent expenditures or  
172.32 disbursements for electioneering communications. If the principal campaign committee of  
173.1 a candidate makes a contribution to an independent expenditure committee or independent  
173.2 expenditure fund on or after January 1 of the year the candidate's office will appear on the  
173.3 ballot, the independent expenditure committee or independent expenditure fund must not  
173.4 make an independent expenditure for that candidate.

173.5 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2024, and applies to  
173.6 expenditures and electioneering communications made on or after that date.

173.7 Sec. 34. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.271, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

173.8 Subdivision 1. **Notice to contributors.** A political committee, political fund, political  
173.9 party unit, or principal campaign committee that raises funds through the sale of goods or  
173.10 services must disclose to potential customers that the proceeds from the purchase are a  
173.11 political contribution and to whom the contribution is made. If goods or services are sold  
173.12 in person, the notice ~~may~~ must be provided verbally at the time of purchase, or through the  
173.13 prominent display of a sign providing the notice ~~in immediate proximity to~~ within three feet  
173.14 of, and facing, the point of sale at the location where the goods or services are sold. If goods  
173.15 or services are sold using a website or other electronic means, the notice must be prominently

26.1 Subd. 3. **Resumption of active status or termination.** (a) An association that has placed  
26.2 its political fund in voluntary inactive status may resume active status upon written notice  
26.3 to the board.

26.4 (b) A political fund placed in voluntary inactive status must resume active status within  
26.5 14 days of the date that it has accepted contributions or made expenditures, contributions,  
26.6 or disbursements, including disbursements for electioneering communications, that aggregate  
26.7 more than \$750 since the political fund was placed on inactive status. If, after meeting this  
26.8 threshold, the association does not notify the board that its fund has resumed active status,  
26.9 the board may place the association's political fund in active status and notify the association  
26.10 of the change in status.

26.11 (c) An association that has placed its political fund in voluntary inactive status may  
26.12 terminate the registration of the fund without returning it to active status.

26.13 Subd. 4. **Penalty for financial activity while in voluntary inactive status.** If an  
26.14 association fails to notify the board of its political fund's resumption of active status under  
26.15 subdivision 3, the board may impose a civil penalty of \$50 per day, not to exceed \$1,000  
26.16 commencing on the 15th calendar day after the fund resumed active status.

26.17 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2024, and applies to  
26.18 expenditures and electioneering communications made on or after that date.

26.19 Sec. 31. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.25, subdivision 3a, is amended to read:

26.20 Subd. 3a. **Independent expenditures and electioneering communications.** The principal  
26.21 campaign committee of a candidate must not make independent expenditures or  
26.22 disbursements for electioneering communications. If the principal campaign committee of  
26.23 a candidate makes a contribution to an independent expenditure committee or independent  
26.24 expenditure fund on or after January 1 of the year the candidate's office will appear on the  
26.25 ballot, the independent expenditure committee or independent expenditure fund must not  
26.26 make an independent expenditure for that candidate.

26.27 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2024, and applies to  
26.28 expenditures and electioneering communications made on or after that date.

26.29 Sec. 32. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.271, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

26.30 Subdivision 1. **Notice to contributors.** A political committee, political fund, political  
26.31 party unit, or principal campaign committee that raises funds through the sale of goods or  
26.32 services must disclose to potential customers that the proceeds from the purchase are a  
27.1 political contribution and to whom the contribution is made. If goods or services are sold  
27.2 in person, the notice ~~may~~ must be provided verbally at the time of purchase, or through the  
27.3 prominent display of a sign providing the notice ~~in immediate proximity to~~ within three feet  
27.4 of, and facing, the point of sale at the location where the goods or services are sold. If goods  
27.5 or services are sold using a website or other electronic means, the notice must be prominently

173.16 displayed on the page used by potential customers to make a purchase or enter payment  
173.17 information.

173.18 Sec. 35. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.273, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

173.19 Subdivision 1. **Contributions during legislative session.** (a) A candidate for the  
173.20 legislature or for constitutional office, the candidate's principal campaign committee, or a  
173.21 political committee or party unit established by all or a part of the party organization within  
173.22 a house of the legislature, must not solicit or accept a contribution from a registered lobbyist,  
173.23 political committee, political fund, or an association not registered with the board during a  
173.24 regular session of the legislature.

173.25 (b) During a regular session of the legislature, a candidate for the legislature or for  
173.26 constitutional office, or the candidate's principal campaign committee, must not solicit  
173.27 contributions for or directly assist in the solicitation of contributions for a political party or  
173.28 party unit from a registered lobbyist, political committee, political fund, or an association  
173.29 not registered with the board.

173.30 ~~(b)~~ (c) A registered lobbyist, political committee, political fund, or an association not  
173.31 registered with the board must not make a contribution to a candidate for the legislature or  
173.32 for constitutional office, the candidate's principal campaign committee, or a political  
174.1 committee or party unit established by all or a part of the party organization within a house  
174.2 of the legislature during a regular session of the legislature.

174.3 (d) Regardless of when made, a contribution made by a lobbyist, political committee,  
174.4 or political fund in order to attend an event that occurs during a regular session of the  
174.5 legislature and that is held by the principal campaign committee of a candidate for the  
174.6 legislature or constitutional office, or by a political party organization within a body of the  
174.7 legislature, is a violation of this section.

174.8 (e) Regardless of when made, a contribution from a lobbyist, political committee, or  
174.9 political fund for membership or access to a facility operated during the regular session of  
174.10 the legislature by the principal campaign committee of a candidate for the legislature or  
174.11 constitutional office, or by a political party organization within a body of the legislature, is  
174.12 a violation of this section.

174.13 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

27.6 displayed on the page used by potential customers to make a purchase or enter payment  
27.7 information.

27.8 Sec. 33. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.273, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

27.9 Subdivision 1. **Contributions during legislative session.** (a) A candidate for the  
27.10 legislature or for constitutional office, the candidate's principal campaign committee, or a  
27.11 political committee or party unit established by all or a part of the party organization within  
27.12 a house of the legislature, must not solicit or accept a contribution from a registered lobbyist,  
27.13 political committee, political fund, or an association not registered with the board during a  
27.14 regular session of the legislature.

27.15 (b) During a regular session of the legislature, a candidate for the legislature or for  
27.16 constitutional office, or the candidate's principal campaign committee, must not solicit  
27.17 contributions for or take an action directly related to the solicitation or acceptance of  
27.18 contributions for a political party or party unit from a registered lobbyist, political committee,  
27.19 political fund, or an association not registered with the board.

27.20 (c) A registered lobbyist, political committee, political fund, or an association not  
27.21 registered with the board must not make a contribution to a candidate for the legislature or  
27.22 for constitutional office, the candidate's principal campaign committee, or a political  
27.23 committee or party unit established by all or a part of the party organization within a house  
27.24 of the legislature during a regular session of the legislature.

27.25 (d) Regardless of when made, a contribution made by a lobbyist, political committee,  
27.26 or political fund in order to attend an event that occurs during a regular session of the  
27.27 legislature and that is held by the principal campaign committee of a candidate for the  
27.28 legislature or constitutional office, or by a political party organization within a body of the  
27.29 legislature, is a violation of this section.

27.30 (e) Regardless of when made, a contribution from a lobbyist, political committee, or  
27.31 political fund for membership or access to a facility operated during the regular session of  
27.32 the legislature by the principal campaign committee of a candidate for the legislature or  
27.33 constitutional office, or by a political party organization within a body of the legislature, is  
27.34 a violation of this section.

28.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

28.2 Sec. 34. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.273, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

28.3 Subd. 2. **Party and party unit solicitations.** (a) At an event hosted by a candidate, a  
28.4 political party or party unit must not solicit or receive at an event hosted by a candidate for  
28.5 the legislature or by a candidate for constitutional office a contribution from a lobbyist,  
28.6 political committee, political fund, or party unit during a regular session of the legislature.

28.7 (b) A political party or party unit must not use the image of a candidate or promote the  
28.8 attendance of a candidate at an event to solicit contributions during the legislative session.

174.14 Sec. 36. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.275, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

174.15 Subdivision 1. **Exceptions.** Notwithstanding other provisions of this chapter, the  
174.16 following expenditures by a party unit, or two or more party units acting together, ~~with at~~  
174.17 ~~least one party unit being either the state committee or the party organization within a~~  
174.18 ~~congressional district, county, or legislative district,~~ are not considered contributions to or  
174.19 expenditures on behalf of a candidate for the purposes of section 10A.25 or 10A.27 and  
174.20 must not be allocated to candidates under section 10A.20, subdivision 3, paragraph (h):

174.21 (1) expenditures on behalf of candidates of that party generally without referring to any  
174.22 of them specifically in a published, posted, or broadcast advertisement;

174.23 (2) expenditures for the preparation, display, mailing, or other distribution of an official  
174.24 party sample ballot listing the names of three or more individuals whose names are to appear  
174.25 on the ballot;

174.26 (3) expenditures for a telephone call, voice mail, text message, multimedia message,  
174.27 internet chat message, or email when the communication includes the names of three or  
174.28 more individuals whose names are to appear on the ballot;

174.29 (4) expenditures for a booth at a community event, county fair, or state fair that benefits  
174.30 three or more individuals whose names are to appear on the ballot;

174.31 ~~(4)~~ (5) expenditures for a political party fundraising effort on behalf of three or more  
174.32 candidates; or

175.1 ~~(5)~~ (6) expenditures for party committee staff services that benefit three or more  
175.2 candidates.

175.3 Sec. 37. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.38, is amended to read:

175.4 **10A.38 CAPTIONING OF CAMPAIGN ADVERTISEMENTS.**

175.5 (a) This section applies to a campaign advertisement by a candidate who is governed  
175.6 by an agreement under section 10A.322.

175.7 (b) "Campaign advertisement" means a professionally produced visual or audio recording  
175.8 of two minutes or less produced by the candidate for the purpose of influencing the  
175.9 nomination or election of a candidate.

175.10 (c) A campaign advertisement that is disseminated as an advertisement by broadcast or  
175.11 cable television must include closed captioning for deaf and hard-of-hearing viewers, unless  
175.12 the candidate has filed with the board before the advertisement is disseminated a statement  
175.13 setting forth the reasons for not doing so. A campaign advertisement that is disseminated

28.9 (c) For purposes of this subdivision, "candidate" means a candidate for the legislature  
28.10 or for constitutional office.

28.11 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

28.12 Sec. 35. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.275, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

28.13 Subdivision 1. **Exceptions.** Notwithstanding other provisions of this chapter, the  
28.14 following expenditures by a party unit, or two or more party units acting together, ~~with at~~  
28.15 ~~least one party unit being either the state committee or the party organization within a~~  
28.16 ~~congressional district, county, or legislative district,~~ are not considered contributions to or  
28.17 expenditures on behalf of a candidate for the purposes of section 10A.25 or 10A.27 and  
28.18 must not be allocated to candidates under section 10A.20, subdivision 3, paragraph (h):

28.19 (1) expenditures on behalf of candidates of that party generally without referring to any  
28.20 of them specifically in a published, posted, or broadcast advertisement;

28.21 (2) expenditures for the preparation, display, mailing, or other distribution of an official  
28.22 party sample ballot listing the names of three or more individuals whose names are to appear  
28.23 on the ballot;

28.24 (3) expenditures for a telephone call, voice mail, text message, multimedia message,  
28.25 internet chat message, or email when the communication includes the names of three or  
28.26 more individuals whose names are to appear on the ballot;

28.27 (4) expenditures for a booth at a community event, county fair, or state fair that benefits  
28.28 three or more individuals whose names are to appear on the ballot;

28.29 ~~(4)~~ (5) expenditures for a political party fundraising effort on behalf of three or more  
28.30 candidates; or

29.1 ~~(5)~~ (6) expenditures for party committee staff services that benefit three or more  
29.2 candidates.

29.3 Sec. 36. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10A.38, is amended to read:

29.4 **10A.38 CAPTIONING OF CAMPAIGN ADVERTISEMENTS.**

29.5 (a) This section applies to a campaign advertisement by a candidate who is governed  
29.6 by an agreement under section 10A.322.

29.7 (b) "Campaign advertisement" means a professionally produced visual or audio recording  
29.8 of two minutes or less produced by the candidate for the purpose of influencing the  
29.9 nomination or election of a candidate.

29.10 (c) A campaign advertisement that is disseminated as an advertisement by broadcast or  
29.11 cable television must include closed captioning for deaf and hard-of-hearing viewers, unless  
29.12 the candidate has filed with the board before the advertisement is disseminated a statement  
29.13 setting forth the reasons for not doing so. A campaign advertisement that is disseminated

175.14 as an advertisement to the public on the candidate's website must include closed captioning  
175.15 for deaf and hard-of-hearing viewers, unless the candidate has posted on the website a  
175.16 transcript of the spoken content of the advertisement or the candidate has filed with the  
175.17 board before the advertisement is disseminated a statement setting forth the reasons for not  
175.18 doing so. A campaign advertisement must not be disseminated as an advertisement by radio  
175.19 unless the candidate has posted on the candidate's website a transcript of the spoken content  
175.20 of the advertisement or the candidate has filed with the board before the advertisement is  
175.21 disseminated a statement setting forth the reasons for not doing so.

175.22 (d) A candidate who fails to comply with the requirements of paragraph (c) is subject  
175.23 to a civil penalty imposed by the board of up to \$1,000.

175.24 Sec. 38. **REPEALER.**

175.25 Minnesota Rules, part 4511.0600, subpart 5, is repealed.

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29.24 Sec. 37. **REPEALER.**

29.25 Minnesota Rules, parts 4511.0100, subpart 1a; and 4511.0600, subpart 5, are repealed.