

Proposals for Legislation for 2009 Session

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1. *Problem or issue:*

Candidates and committees disclose large contributions received late in a political campaign, as well as **last minute advertising expenditures**.

We propose to require similar **disclosure by independent committees** – committees that have assumed an increasing role in politics. Timely disclosure is an essential underpinning of state and federal campaign law.

2. *Legislation intends to do what?*

Require disclosure of late campaign expenditures by independent committees in order to help voters discern the source of new information that comes late in campaigns.

3. *What section of MCA?*

Title 13; Chapter 37

4. *Funding source?*

No additional funding required

5. *Previously introduced? Model act?*

Model statute is available.