

As Amended by House Committee

Session of 2007

HOUSE BILL No. 2308

By Committee on Elections and Governmental Organization

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10 AN ACT concerning elections; relating to campaign finance; amending  
11 K.S.A. 25-4157a and repealing the existing section.

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13 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

14 Section 1. K.S.A. 25-4157a is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-  
15 4157a. (a) No moneys received by any candidate or candidate commit-  
16 tee of any candidate as a contribution under this act shall be used or be  
17 made available for the personal use of the candidate and no such moneys  
18 shall be used by such candidate or the candidate committee of such can-  
19 didate except for:

- 20 (1) Legitimate campaign purposes;  
21 (2) expenses of holding political office;  
22 (3) contributions to the party committees of the political party of  
23 which such candidate is a member;

24 **(4) any membership dues related to the candidate's campaign**  
25 **paid to a community service or civic organization in the name of**  
26 **the candidate;**

27 ~~(4) (5) any membership dues or~~ donations paid to a community serv-  
28 ice or civic organization in the name of the candidate or candidate com-  
29 mittee of any candidate *but only if the candidate receives no goods or*  
30 *services* **unrelated to the candidate's campaign as a result of the pay-**  
31 *ment of such* ~~dues or~~ donations;

32 ~~(5) (6)~~ expenses incurred in the purchase of tickets to meals and  
33 special events sponsored by any organization the major purpose of which  
34 is to promote or facilitate the social, business, commercial or economic  
35 well being of the local community; or

36 ~~(6) (7)~~ expenses incurred in the purchase and mailing of greeting  
37 cards to voters and constituents.

38 For the purpose of this subsection, expenditures for "personal use"  
39 shall include expenditures to defray normal living expenses for the can-  
40 didate or the candidate's family and expenditures for the personal benefit  
41 of the candidate having no direct connection with or effect upon the  
42 campaign of the candidate or the holding of public office.

43 (b) No moneys received by any candidate or candidate committee of

1 any candidate as a contribution shall be used to pay interest or any other  
2 finance charges upon moneys loaned to the campaign by such candidate  
3 or the spouse of such candidate.

4 (c) No candidate or candidate committee shall accept from any other  
5 candidate or candidate committee for any candidate for local, state or  
6 national office, any moneys received by such candidate or candidate com-  
7 mittee as a campaign contribution. The provisions of this subsection shall  
8 not be construed to prohibit a candidate or candidate committee from  
9 accepting moneys from another candidate or candidate committee if such  
10 moneys constitute a reimbursement for one candidate's proportional  
11 share of the cost of any campaign activity participated in by both candi-  
12 dates involved. Such reimbursement shall not exceed an amount equal to  
13 the proportional share of the cost directly benefiting and attributable to  
14 the personal campaign of the candidate making such reimbursement.

15 (d) At the time of the termination of any campaign and prior to the  
16 filing of a termination report in accordance with K.S.A. 25-4157, and  
17 amendments thereto, all residual funds otherwise not obligated for the  
18 payment of expenses incurred in such campaign or the holding of office  
19 shall be contributed to a charitable organization, as defined by the laws  
20 of the state, contributed to a party committee or returned as a refund in  
21 whole or in part to any contributor or contributors from whom received  
22 or paid into the general fund of the state.

23 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 25-4157a is hereby repealed.

24 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its  
25 publication in the statute book.