Session of 2015

## SENATE BILL No. 26

By Committee on Ethics and Elections

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1	AN ACT concerning campaign finance; amending K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 25-
2 3	4157a and repealing the existing section.
4	Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:
5	Section 1. K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 25-4157a is hereby amended to read as
6	follows: 25-4157a. (a) No moneys received by any candidate or candidate
7	committee of any candidate as a contribution under this act shall be used
8	or be made available for the personal use of the candidate and no such
9	moneys shall be used by such candidate or the candidate committee of
10	such candidate except for:
11	(1) Legitimate campaign purposes;
12	(2) expenses of holding political office;
13	(3) contributions to the party committees of the political party of
14	which such candidate is a member;
15	(4) any membership dues related to the candidate's campaign paid to
16	a community service or civic organization in the name of the candidate;
17	(5) any donations paid to a community service or civic organization
18	in the name of the candidate or candidate committee of any candidate but
19	only if the candidate receives no goods or services unrelated to the
20 21	<ul><li>candidate's campaign as a result of the payment of such donations;</li><li>(6) expenses incurred in the purchase of tickets to meals and special</li></ul>
22	events sponsored by any organization the major purpose of which is to
22	promote or facilitate the social, business, commercial or economic well
23 24	being of the local community; or
25	(7) expenses incurred in the purchase and mailing of greeting cards to
26	voters and constituents; or
27	(8) expenses incurred for travel, lodging and the purchase of tickets
28	for meals and special events sponsored by any organization the major
29	purpose of which is to promote or facilitate the social, business,
30	commercial, economic or governmental wellbeing of the state or local
31	community.
32	For the purpose of this subsection, expenditures for "personal use" shall
33	include expenditures to defray normal living expenses for the candidate or
34	the candidate's family and expenditures for the personal benefit of the
35	candidate having no direct connection with or effect upon the campaign of
36	the candidate or the holding of public office.

1 (b) No moneys received by any candidate or candidate committee of 2 any candidate as a contribution shall be used to pay interest or any other 3 finance charges upon moneys loaned to the campaign by such candidate or 4 the spouse of such candidate.

5 (c) No candidate or candidate committee shall accept from any other 6 candidate or candidate committee for any candidate for local, state or 7 national office, any moneys received by such candidate or candidate 8 committee as a campaign contribution. The provisions of this subsection 9 shall not be construed to prohibit a candidate or candidate committee from accepting moneys from another candidate or candidate committee if such 10 11 moneys constitute a reimbursement for one candidate's proportional share 12 of the cost of any campaign activity participated in by both candidates involved. Such reimbursement shall not exceed an amount equal to the 13 14 proportional share of the cost directly benefiting and attributable to the 15 personal campaign of the candidate making such reimbursement.

16 (d) At the time of the termination of any campaign and prior to the 17 filing of a termination report in accordance with K.S.A. 25-4157, and 18 amendments thereto, all residual funds otherwise not obligated for the 19 payment of expenses incurred in such campaign or the holding of office 20 shall be contributed to a charitable organization, as defined by the laws of 21 the state, contributed to a party committee or returned as a refund in whole 22 or in part to any contributor or contributors from whom received or paid 23 into the general fund of the state.

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Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 25-4157a is hereby repealed.

25 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its 26 publication in the statute book.