

SENATE BILL No. 896

January 19, 2012, Introduced by Senator SCHUITMAKER and referred to the Committee on Local Government and Elections.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 388, entitled
"Michigan campaign finance act,"
(MCL 169.201 to 169.282) by adding section 48.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 SEC. 48. (1) AN AUTOMATED TELEPHONIC COMMUNICATION TO AN
2 ELECTOR THAT RELATES TO AN ELECTION, A CANDIDATE, OR BALLOT
3 QUESTION SHALL CLEARLY STATE THE NAME OF THE PERSON PAYING FOR
4 THE COMMUNICATION.

5 (2) IF THE COMMUNICATION DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1) RELATES
6 TO A CANDIDATE AND IS AN INDEPENDENT EXPENDITURE NOT AUTHORIZED
7 IN WRITING BY THAT CANDIDATE'S CANDIDATE COMMITTEE, THE
8 COMMUNICATION SHALL ALSO CLEARLY STATE THE FOLLOWING DISCLAIMER:
9 "NOT AUTHORIZED BY ANY CANDIDATE COMMITTEE". IF THE COMMUNICATION
10 DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1) RELATES TO A CANDIDATE AND IS NOT AN
11 INDEPENDENT EXPENDITURE, BUT IS PAID FOR BY A PERSON OTHER THAN

1 THE CANDIDATE TO WHOM IT IS RELATED, THE COMMUNICATION SHALL ALSO
2 CLEARLY STATE THE FOLLOWING DISCLAIMER:

3 "AUTHORIZED BY _____".
4 (NAME OF CANDIDATE OR NAME OF CANDIDATE COMMITTEE)

5 (3) A COMMUNICATION DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1) SHALL
6 CLEARLY STATE THE NAME OF THE PERSON PAYING FOR THE COMMUNICATION
7 AND ANY DISCLAIMERS REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (2) AT THE
8 BEGINNING OF THE COMMUNICATION.

9 (4) A PERSON WHO KNOWINGLY VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS SUBJECT
10 TO A CIVIL FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$1,000.00 FOR EACH VIOLATION.