

SENATE BILL No. 441

June 20, 2013, Introduced by Senator ROBERTSON 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 18a.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 SEC. 18A. (1) A COUNTY MAY ADOPT AN ELECTRONIC FILING AND
2 INTERNET DISCLOSURE SYSTEM DEVELOPED OR APPROVED BY THE SECRETARY
3 OF STATE THAT PERMITS COMMITTEES THAT ARE REQUIRED TO FILE
4 STATEMENTS OR REPORTS UNDER THIS ACT WITH THE COUNTY TO FILE THOSE
5 STATEMENTS OR REPORTS ELECTRONICALLY AND THAT PROVIDES INTERNET
6 DISCLOSURE OF ELECTRONICALLY FILED STATEMENTS OR REPORTS ON A
7 WEBSITE. IF THE SECRETARY OF STATE DEVELOPS AN INTERNET DISCLOSURE
8 SYSTEM, THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL NOT CHARGE A COUNTY FOR THE
9 SOFTWARE FOR THAT SYSTEM.

10 (2) A COUNTY THAT ADOPTS A SYSTEM UNDER SUBSECTION (1) MAY

1 REQUIRE EACH COMMITTEE THAT RECEIVED OR EXPENDED THE THRESHOLD
2 AMOUNT SET BY THE COUNTY AS PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION IN THE
3 PRECEDING CALENDAR YEAR OR EXPECTS TO RECEIVE OR EXPEND THE
4 THRESHOLD AMOUNT SET BY THE COUNTY IN THE CURRENT CALENDAR YEAR TO
5 FILE CAMPAIGN STATEMENTS OR REPORTS ELECTRONICALLY. A COUNTY SHALL
6 SET THE THRESHOLD UNDER THIS SUBSECTION AT \$5,000.00 OR \$1,500.00.

7 (3) A COUNTY THAT ADOPTS A SYSTEM UNDER SUBSECTION (1) SHALL
8 PERMIT A COMMITTEE TO ELECTRONICALLY FILE STATEMENTS AND REPORTS
9 REQUIRED UNDER THIS ACT, AS DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1), EXCEPT AN
10 ORIGINAL STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION, AFTER THE COMMITTEE TREASURER
11 AND, FOR A CANDIDATE COMMITTEE, THE CANDIDATE HAS SIGNED AND FILED
12 A FORM DESIGNED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO SERVE AS THE SIGNATURE
13 VERIFYING THE ACCURACY AND COMPLETENESS OF EACH STATEMENT OR REPORT
14 FILED ELECTRONICALLY.

15 (4) IF A COMMITTEE WAS NOT REQUIRED TO FILE A CAMPAIGN
16 STATEMENT UNDER SUBSECTION (2) ONLY BECAUSE IT DID NOT MEET THE
17 APPLICABLE THRESHOLD, BUT THE COMMITTEE LATER REACHES THAT
18 THRESHOLD, THE COMMITTEE SHALL NOTIFY THE COUNTY WITHIN 10 BUSINESS
19 DAYS AFTER REACHING THAT THRESHOLD AND SHALL SUBSEQUENTLY FILE
20 ELECTRONICALLY ALL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS REQUIRED UNDER THIS ACT.