

LEGAL DEFENSE FUND ACT (EXCERPT)
Act 288 of 2008

15.535 Expenditures; violation as misdemeanor; penalty.

Sec. 15. (1) Except for expenditures upon dissolution that are made as prescribed in section 5 or as provided for an anonymous contribution under section 13, a person shall make expenditures from a legal defense fund only for administration of the fund, attorney fees, or related legal costs, which shall not include direct or indirect payments for media purchases, media consulting, or mass mailings. An expenditure from a legal defense fund shall be made for the legal defense of only the 1 elected official for whom the fund was established.

(2) A person who knowingly violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable as follows:

(a) If the person is an individual, by imprisonment for not more than 93 days or a fine of not more than \$1,000.00, or both.

(b) If the person is other than an individual, by a fine of not more than \$10,000.00.

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