

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2335 Session of 2012

INTRODUCED BY JOSEPHS, FRANKEL, BENNINGHOFF, STURLA, K. BOYLE, BRIGGS, COHEN, DeLUCA, DePASQUALE, FABRIZIO, GIBBONS, HARKINS, KIRKLAND, MUNDY, MURT, PARKER, PASHINSKI, ROEBUCK, SAMUELSON, SANTARSIERO, SANTONI, B. BOYLE, VITALI AND YOUNGBLOOD, MAY 1, 2012

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, MAY 1, 2012

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), entitled
2 "An act concerning elections, including general, municipal,
3 special and primary elections, the nomination of candidates,
4 primary and election expenses and election contests; creating
5 and defining membership of county boards of elections;
6 imposing duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth,
7 courts, county boards of elections, county commissioners;
8 imposing penalties for violation of the act, and codifying,
9 revising and consolidating the laws relating thereto; and
10 repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to
11 elections," in primary and election expenses, further
12 providing for definitions and for reporting by candidate and
13 political committees and other persons.

14 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
15 hereby enacts as follows:

16 Section 1. Section 1621 of the act of June 3, 1937
17 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, is
18 amended by adding a subsection to read:

19 Section 1621. Definitions.--As used in this article, the
20 following words have the following meanings:

21 * * *

22 (n) The word "intermediary" shall mean any person, political

committee or other entity which, other than in the regular
course of business as a postal, delivery or messenger service,
delivers any contribution from another person, political
committee or other entity to a candidate or political committee
or solicits contributions for a candidate or political committee
where such solicitation is known to such candidate or the
candidate's authorized committee. The term shall not include
spouses, domestic partners, parents, children or siblings of the
person making such contribution or any fundraising agent.

Section 2. Section 1626(b) of the act, added October 4, 1978
(P.L.893, No.171), is amended to read:

Section 1626. Reporting by Candidate and Political
Committees and other Persons.--

* * *

(b) Each report shall include the following information:

(1) The full name, mailing address, occupation and name of
employer, if any, or the principal place of business, if self-
employed, of each person who has made one or more contributions
to or for such committee or candidate within the reporting
period in an aggregate amount or value in excess of two hundred
fifty dollars (\$250), together with the amount and date of such
contributions. The full name, mailing address, occupation and
name of the employer, if any, or the principal place of
business, if self-employed, of each intermediary, if any, and
each person who has made one or more contributions to be
delivered by the intermediary to a committee or candidate. The
accuracy of the information furnished to the candidate or
committee shall be the responsibility of the contributor and the
intermediary, if any.

(2) The full name and mailing address of each person who has

1 made one or more contributions to or for such committee or
2 candidate within the reporting period in an aggregate amount or
3 value in excess of fifty dollars (\$50), together with the amount
4 and date of such contributions. The accuracy of the information
5 furnished by the contributor shall be the responsibility of the
6 contributor.

7 (3) The total sum of individual contributions made to or for
8 such committee or candidate during the reporting period and not
9 reported under clauses (1) and (2).

10 (4) Each and every expenditure, the date made, the full name
11 and address of the person to whom made and the purpose for which
12 such expenditure was made.

13 (5) Any unpaid debts and liabilities, with the nature and
14 amount of each, the date incurred and the full name and address
15 of the person owed.

16 (6) The account shall include any unexpended balance of
17 contributions or other receipts appearing from the last account
18 filed.

19 * * *

20 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.