

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

**HOUSE BILL**  
**No. 2866** Session of  
1980

INTRODUCED BY CUNNINGHAM, JULY 25, 1980

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, JULY 25, 1980

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," further providing for reports by business  
12 entities on certain contributions.

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

15 Section 1. Section 1641, act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333,  
16 No.320), known as the "Pennsylvania Election Code," amended July  
17 12, 1980 (No.134), is amended to read:

18 Section 1641. Reports by Business Entities; Publication by  
19 Secretary of the Commonwealth.--

20 (a) Any business entity including but not limited to a  
21 corporation, company, association, partnership or sole  
22 proprietorship, which has been awarded non-bid contracts from

1 the Commonwealth or its political subdivisions during the  
2 preceding calendar year, shall report by February 15 of each  
3 year to the Secretary of the Commonwealth an itemized list of  
4 all political contributions known to the business entity by  
5 virtue of the knowledge possessed by every officer, director,  
6 associate, partner, limited partner or individual owner that has  
7 been made by:

8 (1) any officer, director, associate, partner, limited  
9 partner, individual owner or members of their immediate family  
10 [when the contributions exceed an aggregate of one thousand  
11 dollars (\$1,000) by any individual during the preceding year];  
12 or

13 (2) any employe or members of his immediate family whose  
14 political contribution exceeded one thousand dollars (\$1,000)  
15 during the preceding year.

16 For the purposes of this subsection, "immediate family" means a  
17 person's spouse and any unemancipated child.

18 (b) It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the  
19 Commonwealth to publish sixty (60) days after February 15 of  
20 each year a complete itemized list of all contributions given  
21 under the provisions of subsection (a). This list shall be a  
22 matter of public record open to public inspection and copies  
23 made available at cost to any individual who requests them.

24 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.