

25-4148c. Independent expenditures by party or political committees; reporting requirements.

(a) Every treasurer for a party committee or political committee shall file reports of independent expenditures as prescribed by this act. Reports shall be filed with the secretary of state. Reports required by this section shall be in addition to any other reports required by law.

(b) (1) The report shall contain the name and address of each party committee or political committee which has made or contracted to be made independent expenditures in an aggregate amount or value in excess of \$300 or more during the period commencing 11 days before a primary or general election at which a state or local officer is to be elected and ending at 11:59 p.m. on the Wednesday preceding the date of the election. Such report shall contain the amount, date and purpose of each such independent expenditure, as well as the name of the candidate whose nomination, election or defeat is expressly advocated. When an independent expenditure is made by payment to an advertising agency, public relations firm or political consultant for disbursement to vendors, the report of such independent expenditure shall show in detail the name of each such vendor and the amount, date and purpose of the payments to each, as well as the name of the candidate whose nomination, election or defeat is expressly advocated. The report shall be made on or before the close of business on the Thursday preceding the date of the election.

(2) In addition, a separate report shall be made on a daily basis for the Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday immediately preceding the election. Each daily report shall contain the information required in paragraph (1) of this section. Each report shall be filed by 5:00 p.m. on the next day respectively.

(c) Reports required by this section shall be filed by hand delivery, express delivery service, facsimile transmission or any electronic method authorized by the secretary of state.

(d) (1) "Expenditure" shall have the meaning ascribed to it in K.S.A. 25-4143, and amendments thereto.

(2) "Independent expenditure" means an expenditure that is made without the cooperation or consent of the candidate or agent of such candidate intended to be benefited and which expressly advocates the election or defeat of a clearly identified candidate.

(3) "Party committee" shall have the meaning ascribed to it in K.S.A. 25-4143, and amendments thereto.

(4) "Political committee" shall have the meaning ascribed to it in K.S.A. 25-4143, and amendments thereto.

(e) The provisions of this section shall be part of and supplemental to the campaign finance act.

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