
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO VIOLATIONS OF CAMPAIGN FINANCE LAW.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. Section 11-410, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended as follows:

3 1. By amending subsection (a) to read:

4 "(a) The commission may make a decision or issue an order
5 affecting any person violating any provision of this part [~~or~~
6 ~~section 281-22~~] that may provide for the assessment of an
7 administrative fine as follows:

8 (1) If [~~an individual,~~] a person other than a person
9 described in paragraph (2), an amount not to exceed
10 \$1,000 for each occurrence or an amount [~~equivalent~~]
11 not to exceed three times the amount of an unlawful
12 contribution or expenditure; or

13 (2) If a [~~corporation, organization, association, or labor~~
14 ~~union,~~] noncandidate committee that makes only
15 independent expenditures and has either received at
16 least one contribution of more than \$10,000 from any
17 one person or has made expenditures of more than



1 \$10,000 in the aggregate, in an election period, an
2 amount not to exceed [~~\$1,000~~] \$5,000 for each
3 occurrence[+] or an amount not to exceed three times
4 the amount of an unlawful contribution or expenditure;
5 provided that whenever a corporation, organization, association,
6 or labor union violates this part, the violation may be deemed
7 to be also that of the individual directors, officers, or agents
8 of the corporation, organization, association, or labor union,
9 who have knowingly authorized, ordered, or done any of the acts
10 constituting the violation."

11 2. By amending subsection (c) to read:

12 "(c) If an administrative fine is imposed upon a
13 candidate, the commission may order that the fine, or any
14 portion[+] of the fine, be paid from the [candidate's] personal
15 funds[-] of the candidate. If an administrative fine is imposed
16 upon a noncandidate committee, the commission may order that the
17 fine, or any portion of the fine, be paid from the personal
18 funds of the officers of the noncandidate committee, if the
19 noncandidate committee does not have the funds to pay the fine."



1 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
2 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
3 begun before its effective date.

4 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
5 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

6 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on June 30, 3000.



Report Title:

Hawaii Campaign Spending Commission Package; Fines; Noncandidate Committees; Independent Expenditures

Description:

Increases the amount of fines for campaign spending law violations that may be assessed against certain noncandidate committees making only independent expenditures. Allows the Campaign Spending Commission to order that the payment of the fine assessed against a noncandidate committee, or any portion thereof, be paid from the personal funds of the officers of the noncandidate committee, if the noncandidate committee does not have the funds to pay the fine. Effective 6/30/3000. (HD1)

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