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**"AN ACT CONCERNING CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTING
REQUIREMENTS."**

1 Strike section 1 in its entirety and substitute the following in lieu
2 thereof:

3 "Section 1. Subsection (c) of section 9-333h of the general statutes is
4 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
5 *1, 2003*):

6 (c) The campaign treasurer of each committee, other than a political
7 committee established by an organization which receives its funds
8 from the organization's treasury, may appoint solicitors. If solicitors
9 are appointed, the campaign treasurer shall receive and report all
10 contributions made or promised to each solicitor. Each solicitor shall
11 submit to the campaign treasurer a list of all contributions made or

12 promised to him. The list shall be complete as of seventy-two hours
13 immediately preceding midnight of the day preceding the dates on
14 which the campaign treasurer is required to file a sworn statement as
15 provided in section 9-333j. Lists shall be received by the campaign
16 treasurer not later than twenty-four hours immediately preceding each
17 required filing date. Each solicitor shall deposit all contributions with
18 the campaign treasurer, within [ten] seven days after receipt. No
19 solicitor shall expend any contributions received by him or disburse
20 such contributions to any person other than the campaign treasurer."

21 In line 306, after "statement", insert "(i)"

22 In line 308, after "affair" and before the period, insert the following:
23 "which is referred to in subsection (b) of section 9-333b, and (ii) the
24 date, location and a description of the affair"

25 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
26 internal references accordingly:

27 "Sec. 501. Section 9-333 of the general statutes is repealed and the
28 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2003*):

29 This chapter applies to: (1) The election, and all primaries
30 preliminary thereto, of all public officials, except presidential electors,
31 United States senators and members in Congress, (2) any referendum
32 question, and (3) persons who are candidates in a primary for
33 convention delegates, including convention delegates to a United
34 States senatorial or congressional district convention. This chapter also
35 applies, except for the provisions of sections 9-333m to 9-333v,
36 inclusive, to persons who are candidates in a primary for town
37 committee members.

38 Sec. 502. Section 9-333f of the general statutes is repealed and the
39 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2003*):

40 (a) Each candidate for a particular public office or the position of
41 town committee member shall form a single candidate committee for

42 which he shall designate a campaign treasurer and a depository
43 institution situated in this state as the depository for the committee's
44 funds and shall file a committee statement containing such
45 designations, not later than ten days after becoming a candidate, with
46 the proper authority as required by section 9-333e. The candidate may
47 also designate a deputy campaign treasurer on such committee
48 statement. The campaign treasurer and any deputy campaign treasurer
49 so designated shall sign a statement accepting such designation which
50 the candidate shall include as part of, or file with, the committee
51 statement.

52 (b) The formation of a candidate committee by a candidate and the
53 filing of statements pursuant to section 9-333j, as amended by this act,
54 shall not be required if the candidate files a certification with the
55 proper authority required by section 9-333e, [at any time prior to the
56 acceptance of a contribution or making of an expenditure] not later
57 than ten days after becoming a candidate, and any of the following
58 conditions exist for the campaign: (1) The candidate is one of a slate of
59 candidates whose campaigns are funded solely by a party committee
60 or a political committee formed for a single election or primary and
61 expenditures made on behalf of the candidate's campaign are reported
62 by the committee sponsoring the candidate's candidacy; (2) the
63 candidate finances the candidate's campaign entirely from personal
64 funds and does not solicit or receive contributions, provided if said
65 candidate personally makes an expenditure or expenditures in excess
66 of one thousand dollars to, or for the benefit of, said candidate's
67 campaign for nomination at a primary or election to an office or
68 position, said candidate shall file statements according to the same
69 schedule and in the same manner as is required of a campaign
70 treasurer of a candidate committee under section 9-333j, as amended
71 by this act; [or] (3) the candidate does not receive or expend funds in
72 excess of one thousand dollars; or (4) the candidate does not receive or
73 expend any funds, including personal funds, for the candidate's
74 campaign. If the candidate no longer qualifies for the exemption under
75 any of these conditions, the candidate shall comply with the provisions

76 of subsection (a) of this section, not later than three business days
77 thereafter and shall provide the candidate's designated campaign
78 treasurer with all information required for completion of the
79 treasurer's statements and filings as required by section 9-333j, as
80 amended by this act. If the candidate no longer qualifies for the
81 exemption due to the condition stated in the candidate's certification
82 but so qualifies due to a different condition specified in this subsection,
83 the candidate shall file an amended certification with the proper
84 authority and provide the new condition for the candidate's
85 qualification not later than three business days following the change in
86 circumstances of the financing of the candidate's campaign. The filing
87 of a certification under this subsection shall not relieve the candidate
88 from compliance with the provisions of this chapter.

89 (c) The chairman of a political committee formed to support a single
90 candidate for public office shall, not later than seven days after filing a
91 statement of organization with the proper authority under section 9-
92 333e, send the candidate a notice, by certified mail, of such filing. If a
93 candidate (1) does not, within fourteen days after receiving such
94 notice, disavow such committee, in writing, to the proper authority
95 under section 9-333e, or (2) disavows such committee within such
96 period, but, at any time before such disavowal, accepts funds from the
97 committee for his campaign, such committee shall be deemed to have
98 been authorized by such candidate and shall constitute a candidate
99 committee for the purposes of this chapter. No candidate shall
100 establish, agree to or assist in establishing, or give his consent or
101 authorization to establishing a committee other than a single candidate
102 committee to promote his candidacy for any public office except that a
103 candidate may establish a single political committee, for a single
104 election or primary, for the sole purpose of determining whether to
105 seek (A) nomination or election to the General Assembly, (B) a state
106 office, as defined in subsection (e) of section 9-333l, or (C) nomination
107 or election to any other public office. The candidate shall designate
108 such purpose on the statement of organization. Not later than fifteen
109 days after a public declaration by the candidate of his intention to seek

110 nomination or election to the General Assembly, a state office, as so
111 defined, or any other particular public office, the candidate shall form
112 a single candidate committee.

113 (d) A slate of candidates in a primary for the position of delegate to
114 the same convention shall designate a chairperson to form a single
115 political committee to comply with the requirements of section 9-333g,
116 except (1) if the individuals on the slate unanimously consent to have
117 their campaign financed solely by a town committee or by the
118 candidate committee of a candidate for state or district office to which
119 they are committed, and such committee or candidate consents to such
120 financing by filing a statement of consent with both the Secretary of the
121 State and the town clerk of the municipality in which the primary is to
122 be held, or (2) in the case of a primary for convention delegates to a
123 United States senatorial or congressional district convention, the
124 candidate on whose behalf the slate is committed has filed a
125 registration of a committee with the Federal Election Commission, and
126 that committee is solely financing the primary campaign for said
127 delegates.

128 Sec. 503. Subsection (a) of section 9-3331 of the general statutes is
129 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
130 *1, 2003*):

131 (a) Any provision of this chapter to the contrary notwithstanding, a
132 candidate committee may join with one or more candidate committees
133 to establish a political committee for the purpose of sponsoring one or
134 more fund-raising events for those candidates. Any individual, other
135 than a candidate benefited, who is eligible and qualifies to serve in
136 accordance with the provisions of subsection (d) of section 9-333h may
137 serve as the campaign treasurer or deputy campaign treasurer of such
138 a political committee. The statements required to be filed by a political
139 committee under this chapter shall apply to any political committee
140 established pursuant to this subsection. After all expenses of the
141 political committee have been paid by its campaign treasurer for each
142 event, he shall distribute all remaining funds from such event to the

143 campaign treasurers of each of the candidate committees which
144 established the political committee. The distribution to each candidate
145 committee shall be made not later than seven days after the event,
146 either in accordance with a prior agreement of the candidates or, if no
147 prior agreement was made, in equal proportions to each candidate
148 committee. Any contribution which is made to such political
149 committee shall, for purposes of determining compliance with the
150 limitations imposed by this chapter, be deemed to have been made in
151 equal proportions to each candidate's campaign unless (1) a prior
152 agreement was made by the candidates as to the disposition of
153 remaining funds, and (2) those who contributed to the political
154 committee were notified of such disposition, in which case the
155 contribution shall be deemed to have been made to each candidate's
156 campaign in accordance with the agreement."