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Amendment

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Offered by:

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"AN ACT AMENDING CAMPAIGN FINANCE LAWS CONCERNING DEBIT CARD PAYMENTS, EXPENDITURES BY CANDIDATES FOR GOVERNOR AND LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR, SURPLUSES OF REFERENDUM COMMITTEES, PROMOTIONAL CAMPAIGNS FEATURING CANDIDATES, SOLICITATION OF CONTRIBUTIONS BY MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT HEADS AND AUTHORITY TO SUSPEND CERTAIN PARTY OR POLITICAL COMMITTEES."

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. Section 16-331 of the general statutes is amended by
4 adding subsection (i) as follows (*Effective July 1, 2003*):

5 (NEW) (i) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (b) and (d)
6 of this section, the department shall not renew a franchise for a term of
7 more than five years if the department determines that the person,
8 association or corporation, during the term of the prior franchise, has
9 substantially failed to provide candidates for the political office of chief
10 elected official of a town or city, or state senator or state representative,
11 with a minimum of sixty minutes of run of the station advertising time,

12 not including local access programming, at no charge, during the sixty
13 days prior to the date of any state or municipal election. Nothing in
14 this subsection shall authorize the department to set specific rates for
15 service or associated equipment."