

# House Bill 2613

Sponsored by Representative KENNEMER (Pre-session filed.)

## SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Requires identification of source of communications made in support of or opposition to candidate or measure.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

1  
2 Relating to campaign finance; and declaring an emergency.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2015 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 260.**

5 **SECTION 2. (1)(a) A communication in support of or in opposition to a clearly identified**  
6 **candidate or measure that is paid for by a political committee must state the name and ad-**  
7 **dress of the committee and include a statement that the communication was authorized by**  
8 **the officer of record.**

9 **(b) In addition to the requirements set forth in paragraph (a) of this subsection, a com-**  
10 **munication in support of or in opposition to a clearly identified candidate or measure that**  
11 **is paid for by a political committee other than a political party committee, caucus committee**  
12 **or candidate's principal campaign committee must state the name and address of the three**  
13 **persons who have, in the current election cycle, made the largest aggregate contributions**  
14 **to the political committee.**

15 **(2) If a person makes an independent expenditure to pay for a communication in support**  
16 **of or in opposition to a clearly identified candidate or measure, the communication must**  
17 **state the name and address of the person and include a statement that the communication**  
18 **was authorized by the person. If the person making the independent expenditure is not an**  
19 **individual, the communication must include a statement that the communication was au-**  
20 **thorized by the officer of record for the person.**

21 **(3) The Secretary of State, by rule, shall prescribe the form of statements required on**  
22 **communications described in this section.**

23 **(4) As used in this section:**

24 **(a) "Address" means the address of a residence, office, headquarters or similar location**  
25 **where the person is located.**

26 **(b) "Clearly identified" has the meaning given that term in ORS 260.005 (10)(b).**

27 **(c) "Caucus committee" means a political committee affiliated with either chamber of the**  
28 **Legislative Assembly.**

29 **(d) "Communication in support of or in opposition to a clearly identified candidate or**  
30 **measure" has the meaning given that term in ORS 260.005 (10)(c), except that it must involve**  
31 **a communication requiring an aggregate expenditure of \$2,000 or more.**

**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 (e) "Election cycle" means the period of time between one general election and the next  
2 general election.

3 (f) "Officer of record" means:

4 (A) Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, the individual who is the highest  
5 ranking individual in this state within a corporation, company, organization, association,  
6 club, firm, partnership or other entity.

7 (B) In the case of a principal campaign committee, the candidate.

8 (C) In the case of a measure committee, the chief petitioner.

9 SECTION 3. Section 2 of this 2015 Act becomes operative on January 1, 2016.

10 SECTION 4. The Secretary of State may take any action before the operative date spec-  
11 ified in section 3 of this 2015 Act that is necessary to enable the secretary to exercise, on  
12 and after the operative date specified in section 3 of this 2015 Act, all the duties, functions  
13 and powers conferred upon the secretary by section 2 of this 2015 Act.

14 SECTION 5. This 2015 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public  
15 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2015 Act takes effect  
16 on its passage.

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