

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1292

Introduced by Assembly Member Roger Hernández

February 18, 2011

An act to add Sections 84215.5 and 87501 to the Government Code, relating to the Political Reform Act of 1974.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1292, as introduced, Roger Hernández. Political Reform Act of 1974: campaign reports and statements of economic interest: local disclosure.

Existing law requires that candidates for and current officeholders of specified elected or appointed local offices file certain campaign reports and statements with the county elections official.

This bill would require the county elections official to annually post on his or her county's Internet Web site those campaign reports or statements.

Existing law requires that current holders of specified elected or appointed local offices and designated employees of those elected or appointed offices file statements of economic interests with the county or city clerk.

This bill would require the county or city clerk to annually post those statements of economic interest on his or her county's or city's Internet Web site.

This bill would impose a state-mandated local program by creating additional responsibilities for local governmental agencies.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to these statutory provisions.

The Political Reform Act of 1974, an initiative measure, provides that the Legislature may amend the act to further the act’s purposes upon a 2/3 vote of each house and compliance with specified procedural requirements.

This bill would declare that it furthers the purposes of the act.

Vote: 2/3. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 84215.5 is added to the Government
2 Code, to read:

3 84215.5. (a) The county elections official shall annually post
4 on the Internet Web site of his or her county the campaign reports
5 or statements required to be filed pursuant to this article by county
6 elected officers, candidates for those offices, their controlled
7 committees, committees formed or existing primarily to support
8 or oppose candidates or local measures to be voted upon by any
9 number of jurisdictions within that county, and county general
10 purpose committees.

11 (b) The county elections official of the county in which city
12 elected officers, candidates for city office, their controlled
13 committees, committees formed or existing primarily to support
14 or oppose candidates or local measures to be voted upon in one
15 city, and city general purpose committees are domiciled shall
16 annually post on his or her Internet Web site the campaign reports
17 or statements required to be filed pursuant to this article by those
18 persons or committees.

19 SEC. 2. Section 87501 is added to the Government Code, to
20 read:

21 87501. The city or county clerk shall annually post on the
22 Internet Web site of his or her city or county all statements of
23 economic interest required be filed with the city or county clerk
24 pursuant to subdivisions (e) and (f) of Section 87500 and the
25 statements of economic interest required to be filed with the city

1 or county clerk by the designated employees of those local entities
2 pursuant to subdivision (o) of Section 87500.

3 SEC. 3. If the Commission on State Mandates determines that
4 this act contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement to
5 local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made
6 pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division
7 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.

8 SEC. 4. The Legislature finds and declares that this bill furthers
9 the purposes of the Political Reform Act of 1974 within the
10 meaning of subdivision (a) of Section 81012 of the Government
11 Code.

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