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HOUSE BILL DRH30312-LU-90 (03/21)

Short Title: Increase Threshold/Certain Contributions. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Speciale.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO INCREASE THE THRESHOLD FOR CERTAIN CASH CAMPAIGN
3 CONTRIBUTIONS FROM FIFTY DOLLARS TO ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS.
4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
5 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 163-278.11(a1) reads as rewritten:
6 "(a1) Threshold for Reporting Identity of Contributor. – A treasurer shall not be required
7 to report the name, address, or principal occupation of any individual who contributes ~~fifty~~
8 ~~dollars (\$50.00)~~ one hundred dollars (\$100.00) or less to the treasurer's committee during an
9 election as defined in G.S. 163-278.13. The State Board of Elections shall provide on its
10 reporting forms for the reporting of contributions below that threshold. On those reporting
11 forms, the State Board may require date and amount of contributions below the threshold, but
12 may treat differently for reporting purposes contributions below the threshold that are made in
13 different modes and in different settings."
14 **SECTION 2.** G.S. 163-278.14(b) reads as rewritten:
15 "(b) No entity shall make, and no candidate, committee or treasurer shall accept, any
16 monetary contribution in excess of ~~fifty dollars (\$50.00)~~ one hundred dollars (\$100.00) unless
17 such contribution is in the form of a check, draft, money order, credit card charge, debit, or
18 other noncash method that can be subject to written verification. No contribution in the form of
19 check, draft, money order, credit card charge, debits, or other noncash method may be made or
20 accepted unless it contains a specific designation of the intended contributee chosen by the
21 contributor. The State Board of Elections may prescribe guidelines as to the reporting and
22 verification of any method of contribution payment allowed under this Article. For
23 contributions by money order, the State Board shall prescribe methods to ensure an audit trail
24 for every contribution so that the identity of the contributor can be determined. For a
25 contribution made by credit card, the credit card account number of a contributor is not a public
26 record."
27 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to contributions
28 made on or after that date.

