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Introduced by Reps. Weeks and Harrison

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**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 8‑13‑1348, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE USE OF CAMPAIGN FUNDS FOR PERSONAL EXPENSES, SO AS TO AUTHORIZE A DEBIT CARD DRAWN UPON THE CAMPAIGN ACCOUNT MAY BE USED ON EXPENDITURES MORE THAN TWENTY‑FIVE DOLLARS IN ADDITION TO A WRITTEN INSTRUMENT.

Amend Title To Conform

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Section 8‑13‑1348(C) of the 1976 Code, as added by Act 248 of 1991, is amended to read:

“(C)(1) An expenditure of more than twenty‑five dollars drawn upon a campaign account must be made by:

(a) ~~by~~a written instrument ~~drawn upon the campaign account containing the name of the candidate or committee~~; ~~and the name of the recipient~~

(b) debit card; or

(c) online transfers.

The campaign account must contain the name of the candidate or committee, and the expenditure must contain the name of the recipient. These expenditures must be reported pursuant to the provisions of Section 8‑13‑1308.

(2) Expenditures of twenty‑five dollars or less that are not made by a written instrument, debit card, or online transfer containing the name of the candidate or committee and the name of the recipient must be accounted for by a written receipt or written record.”

SECTION 2. the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 8‑13‑1311. In addition to the requirements of Section 8-13-1308 and other provisions of law relating to the filing of certified campaign reports and other reports, if required, by a candidate for elective public office, the candidate’s campaign report for the applicable reporting period must include any paid or unpaid invoices or bills received or paid by the candidate or a person on his behalf for communication through television, radio, telephone, print publication, including mail, or electronic means made by or on behalf of a candidate that is designed to influence the outcome of an election. These invoices or bills are considered campaign expenditures for the quarter in which the communication occurs.”

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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