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AMENDED

April 10, 2014

**H. 4454**

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**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 8‑13‑1348, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO AUTHORIZED USES OF CAMPAIGN FUNDS AND THE MANNER IN WHICH EXPENDITURES OF MORE THAN TWENTY‑FIVE DOLLARS MUST BE PAID, SO AS TO DELETE THE TWENTY‑FIVE DOLLAR THRESHOLD, REVISE THE MANNER IN WHICH CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURES MUST BE PAID, AND REVISE PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO CAMPAIGN ACCOUNT PETTY CASH FUNDS.

Amend Title To Conform

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

SECTION 1. Section 8‑13‑1348(C) and (E) of the 1976 Code, as last amended by Act 225 of 2010, is further amended to read:

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

(a) ~~a written instrument~~ a check drawn upon a campaign account;

(b) debit or credit card; or

(c) online transfers.

(2) ~~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.~~

(3) Nothing in this section applies to an expenditure of any funds not contained in a campaign bank account.

~~(E)~~ ~~A candidate or a duly authorized officer of a committee may not withdraw more than one hundred dollars from the campaign account to establish or replenish a petty cash fund for the candidate or committee at any time, and at no time may the fund exceed one hundred dollars. Expenditures from the petty cash fund may be made only for office supplies, food, transportation expenses, and other necessities and may not exceed twenty‑five dollars for each expenditure.~~”

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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