

# HOUSE BILL No. 4706

May 2, 2007, Introduced by Rep. Lemmons and referred to the Committee on Ethics and Elections.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 388, entitled  
"Michigan campaign finance act,"  
by amending section 18 (MCL 169.218), as amended by 2006 PA 89.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1       Sec. 18. (1) The secretary of state shall develop and  
2       implement an electronic filing and internet disclosure system that  
3       permits committees that are required to file statements or reports  
4       under this act with the secretary of state to file those statements  
5       or reports electronically and that provides internet disclosure of  
6       electronically filed statements or reports on a website.

7       (2) The secretary of state shall offer each committee required

1 to file with the secretary of state the option of filing campaign  
2 statements or reports electronically, as described in subsection  
3 (1).

4 (3) Beginning with the annual campaign statement due January  
5 31, 2004, each committee required to file with the secretary of  
6 state that received or expended \$20,000.00 or more in the preceding  
7 calendar year or expects to receive or expend \$20,000.00 or more in  
8 the current calendar year shall electronically file all statements  
9 and reports required under this act, as described in subsection  
10 (1).

11 (4) If a committee was not required to file a campaign  
12 statement under subsection (3) only because it did not meet the  
13 applicable threshold of receiving or expending \$20,000.00 or more,  
14 but the committee later reaches that threshold, the committee shall  
15 notify the secretary of state within 10 business days after  
16 reaching that threshold and shall subsequently file electronically  
17 all statements and reports required under this act.

18 (5) The secretary of state shall permit a committee to  
19 electronically file statements and reports required under this act,  
20 as described in subsection (1), except an original statement of  
21 organization, after the committee treasurer and, for a candidate  
22 committee, the candidate has signed and filed a form designed by  
23 the secretary of state to serve as the signature verifying the  
24 accuracy and completeness of each statement or report filed  
25 electronically.

26 (6) **THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL MAKE AVAILABLE THROUGH HIS OR**  
27 **HER OFFICES 1 OR MORE COMPUTERS CONNECTED TO THE INTERNET FOR THE**

1 USE OF COMMITTEES REQUIRED OR ELECTING TO FILE CAMPAIGN STATEMENTS  
2 ELECTRONICALLY AND 1 OR MORE ASSISTANTS AT EACH OFFICE WHERE A  
3 COMPUTER IS LOCATED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO  
4 INDIVIDUALS IN FILING CAMPAIGN STATEMENTS ELECTRONICALLY.