

REMOVAL OF REQUIREMENT TO REPORT ATTENDANCE NUMBERS FOR FUNDRAISING EVENTS

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House Bill 4305 as reported from committee
Sponsor: Rep. Steven Johnson
Committee: Elections and Ethics
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SUMMARY:

House Bill 4305 would amend Michigan Campaign Finance Act to remove from the list of information that must be included in a committee campaign statement the attendance numbers for fundraising events.

Section 26 of the act lists information that must be included in a campaign statement of a committee, other than a political party committee. In addition to the committee's name, address, and phone number and the contact information for the committee's treasurer, the committee must include an accounting of contributions and expenditures, the balance of cash on hand at the beginning and end of the reporting period, and information on fundraising events.

Currently, information on all of the following must be included in the report for each fundraising event:

- The type of event, date held, address and name of the location, *and approximate number of individuals participating or in attendance.*
- The total amount of all contributions.
- The gross receipts of the fundraising event.
- The expenditures incident to the event.

The bill would remove the italicized language above, so that the committee would not have to report the approximate number of people who attended a fundraising event.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill would have no fiscal impact on the state or local units of government.

POSITIONS:

The Department of State indicated support for the bill. (6-22-21)

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