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Open Government Impact Statement

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Measure: HB 2983

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SUMMARY

Requires covered nonprofit to file donor identification list that identifies donors that made donations above specified amount to covered nonprofit if covered nonprofit makes aggregate political expenditures above specified amount.

Permits covered nonprofit to establish separate campaign account. Limits disclosure requirement to donations above specified amount deposited into campaign account if conditions followed.

Regulates covered nonprofit acceptance and use of anonymous donations.

Establishes civil penalty for failure to comply with covered nonprofit disclosure requirements.

Permits Secretary of State or Attorney General, upon reasonable suspicion of violation, to examine accounts of covered nonprofit being investigated as result of elector filing complaint alleging violation of election law or rule.

Permits Attorney General, during investigation of election complaint, to issue subpoena to compel production of relevant documents or information.

OPEN GOVERNMENT IMPACT

Legislative Counsel has not adopted standards for drafting measures that establish exemptions from disclosure of public records.

This measure exempts from public disclosure records provided by a nonprofit to the Secretary of State or Attorney General in the course of conducting an investigation of a complaint alleging a violation of election law or rule against the nonprofit.

If those public records that could be subject to public disclosure were instead subject to mandatory disclosure under public records law, the public could gain information related to election law or rule investigations against nonprofits and information related to how those nonprofits operate.

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