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By Representatives Miloscia, Finn, Green, Hasegawa, Rolfes, Simpson, Kelley, and Williams

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1 AN ACT Relating to disclosure of political contributions by persons
2 awarded sole source state contracts; and adding a new section to
3 chapter 42.17 RCW.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 42.17 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 (1) Any person or business entity that is awarded a sole source
8 contract from a state agency of twenty-five thousand dollars or more,
9 or two or more contracts totaling twenty-five thousand dollars in the
10 aggregate in a twelve-month period, must file a report with the
11 commission detailing contributions made in the twelve months before the
12 contract award. The report must:

13 (a) Include an itemized list of the contributions made to a
14 candidate or holder of a state office, a caucus political committee, or
15 a bona fide political party by the contract recipient, a principal
16 associated with the contract recipient, including a subcontractor or
17 consultant, a spouse or registered domestic partner of a principal, or
18 a political committee sponsored by the recipient or a principal of the
19 contract recipient; and

1 (b) Be filed no later than fifteen days after the signing of the
2 contract.

3 (2) The commission shall post on its web site information regarding
4 political contributions made by persons awarded sole source contracts
5 of twenty-five thousand dollars or more.

6 (3) A state agency that awards a sole source contract of twenty-
7 five thousand dollars or more, or two or more contracts to the same
8 contractor that totals twenty-five thousand dollars or more in the
9 aggregate, shall, no later than five days after the date of the
10 contract award, notify the commission of the name and street address,
11 city, state, and zip code of the recipient, the amount of the award,
12 and a description of the contract.

13 (4) For purposes of this section, sole source contracts include
14 contracts for goods and services awarded under chapter 43.19 RCW,
15 personal service contracts under chapter 39.29 RCW, or public works
16 contracts under chapter 39.04 RCW. Contracts awarded under exemptions
17 due to declared emergencies as provided by law are exempt from this
18 section.

19 (5) For purposes of this section, "sponsored by" means any person
20 who alone or in conjunction with other persons makes, directs, or
21 authorizes contributions, expenditures, or strategic or policy
22 decisions on behalf of the committee.

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