HOUSE BILL REPORT HB 1048

As Reported by House Committee On:

State Government & Tribal Affairs

Title: An act relating to making technical corrections needed as a result of the recodification of campaign finance provisions in chapter 204, Laws of 2010.

Brief Description: Making technical corrections needed as a result of the recodification of campaign finance provisions.

Sponsors: Representative Hunt.

Brief History:

Committee Activity:

State Government & Tribal Affairs: 1/13/11, 1/17/11 [DPS].

Brief Summary of Substitute Bill

 Makes technical corrections to statutes due to the recodification of chapter 42.17 RCW.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT & TRIBAL AFFAIRS

Majority Report: The substitute bill be substituted therefor and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by 10 members: Representatives Hunt, Chair; Appleton, Vice Chair; Taylor, Ranking Minority Member; Overstreet, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Alexander, Condotta, Dunshee, Hurst, McCoy and Miloscia.

Staff: Marsha Reilly (786-7135).

Background:

In 2010 the Legislature passed a bill that reorganized and recodified chapter 42.17 RCW relating to campaign finance disclosure and contributions. The recodified campaign finance laws are contained in chapter 42.17A RCW and become effective January 1, 2012.

Two other bills amending chapter 42.17 RCW passed in 2010. One bill eliminated the requirement to file certain campaign finance reports with county election officials, and the

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other bill extended campaign contribution limits to all county offices, city council offices, and mayoral offices.

Summary of Substitute Bill:

Technical changes are made to various statutes to correct cross-references resulting from the recodification of chapter 42.17 RCW. In addition, double amendments resulting from multiple sections of statute that were amended in three separate bills are corrected. No policy changes are made.

Substitute Bill Compared to Original Bill:

Corrections are made to change references to definitions for public records to the Public Records Act in chapter 42.56 RCW.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date of Substitute Bill: The bill takes effect January 1, 2012.

Staff Summary of Public Testimony:

(In support) The Public Disclosure Committee is supportive of this technical cleanup bill.

(Opposed) None.

Persons Testifying: Nancy Krier, Public Disclosure Commission.

Persons Signed In To Testify But Not Testifying: None.