

**HB 2079 - S AMD 482**

By Senator Holmquist

**NOT ADOPTED 4/13/2007**

1 On page 1, line 10, after "(2)" strike all material through  
2 "immediately." on page 2, line 1 and insert the following:

3 "A labor organization may use any fund or account where agency shop  
4 fees are commingled with other revenue to make contributions or  
5 expenditures to influence an election or to operate a political  
6 committee when nonmembers have been provided with a rebate of such fees  
7 that is equal to the pro-rata share of the average of all such  
8 contributions or expenditures over the preceding three years of actual  
9 reported financial information for the labor organization plus a  
10 cushion of 3 percent of the annual agency shop fee for the same three  
11 year period in order to adjust for variations caused by negligible  
12 errors in either calculations or organization expenses.

13 (3) "Expenditures to influence an election" includes, but is not  
14 limited to, expenditures for staff whose duties affect elections or  
15 have the responsibility of training other staff or volunteers to affect  
16 elections; expenditures on communication efforts internally or  
17 externally to advance or oppose one or more candidates or ballot  
18 measures; expenditures to assist voter turn out; expenditures for staff  
19 to aid in recruiting or training candidates; expenditures for staff or  
20 materials to prepare ballot measures or recall efforts; expenditures  
21 for staff or legal services to contest election results; and donations  
22 of funds to organizations or individuals that make expenditures to  
23 influence an election.

24 (4) "To operate a political committee" means expenditures on staff  
25 work, promotional materials, professional services, and internal  
26 communication efforts that aid in the operation and funding of a  
27 political committee."  
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29 Renumber the sections consecutively and correct any internal  
30 references accordingly.

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4 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "fees;" strike the remainder  
5 of the title and insert "and amending RCW 42.17.760."

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**EFFECT:** Implements the directive of the superior court by requiring that to use a fund or account where agency shop fees are commingled, the labor organization must have provided nonmembers with a rebate of agency shop fees that is equal to a pro-rata share of the average of the amount spent in contributions or expenditures to influence an election or to operate a political committee over the preceding three reported years plus a 3 % cushion; removes language from original bill defining when an agency does not use agency shop fees; removes the emergency clause.