

# SENATE BILL REPORT

## SB 5857

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As of January 17, 2024

**Title:** An act relating to reorganizing statutes on campaign disclosure and contribution.

**Brief Description:** Reorganizing statutes on campaign disclosure and contribution.

**Sponsors:** Senators Hunt and Nobles.

**Brief History:**

**Committee Activity:** State Government & Elections: 1/19/24.

**Brief Summary of Bill**

- Recodifies and reorganizes provisions related to campaign disclosure and contribution.

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### SENATE COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT & ELECTIONS

**Staff:** Greg Vogel (786-7413)

**Background:** In 1972 Washington's voters approved the state's campaign finance disclosure law, also known as the Fair Campaign Practices Act (Act), to promote disclosure of information regarding the financing of political campaigns and lobbying. These laws govern the state's campaign finance requirements by, among other things, requiring campaign finance reporting and setting contribution limits.

Through the Act, state voters approved creation of the state's Public Disclosure Commission (Commission). The Commission is charged with providing public access to information about the financing of political campaigns, lobbyist expenditures, and the financial affairs of public officials and candidates. The Commission works to ensure compliance with and enforcement of Washington's disclosure and campaign finance laws.

**Summary of Bill:** Provisions on campaign disclosure and contribution are recodified and

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reorganized under a new title, 29B.

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Not requested.

**Creates Committee/Commission/Task Force that includes Legislative members:** No.

**Effective Date:** The bill takes effect on January 1, 2025.