FINAL BILL REPORT

HB 1312

C 157 L 91 Synopsis As Enacted

Brief Description: Changing requirements for special campaign reports.

By Representatives Wang, McLean and Anderson.

House Committee on State Government Senate Committee on Law & Justice

Background: The state's public disclosure law requires political committees and candidates to report their campaign contributions and expenditures. Special reports are required for certain contributions which are given or received near the time of a primary or election. This special report requirement applies to a contribution of more than \$500 which is received from a single entity and to a contribution of more than \$500 which is made by a political committee, lobbyist, or employer of a lobbyist.

Summary: The special report requirement now expressly applies to contributions received during the special reporting period by a candidate or political committee if the contributions, in the aggregate, total more than \$500 from one entity. The requirement also expressly applies to contributions totaling more than \$500 which are made during this period to a single entity by a political committee, lobbyist, or lobbyist's employer. A special report must also be filed for any subsequent contribution received from that entity (or made to that entity) during the special reporting period.

These aggregate totals include contributions made or received through a third party, whether or not the contributions are reported to the commission as earmarked contributions.

Votes on Final Passage:

House	96	0
Senate	45	0

Effective: July 28, 1991