

SENATE BILL No. 28

By Committee on Elections and Local Government

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AN ACT concerning election campaign finance; prohibiting contributions in elections for the office of insurance commissioner from certain entities; and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. (a) (1) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the definitions set forth in K.S.A. 25-4143, and amendments thereto, shall be applicable to the provisions in this section.

(2) As used in this section "regulated entity" means any person who is required by law to be licensed by the insurance commissioner, or any person who engages in a business or profession which is regulated by the insurance commissioner, or any person employed by a company regulated by the insurance commissioner.

(b) No regulated entity and no person or political committee acting on behalf of a regulated entity shall make a contribution to or on behalf of a person holding the office of insurance commissioner, to or on behalf of a candidate for the office of insurance commissioner or, to or on behalf of a candidate committee of any such candidate.

(c) No person holding the office of insurance commissioner shall knowingly solicit or accept any contribution from any regulated entity or any person or political committee acting on behalf of such regulated entity.

(d) No candidate for the office of insurance commissioner shall knowingly solicit or accept any contribution from any regulated entity or any person or political committee acting on behalf of such regulated entity.

(e) No candidate committee of a candidate for the office of insurance commissioner shall knowingly solicit or accept any contribution from any regulated entity or any person or political committee acting on behalf of such regulated entity.

(f) Any person or entity violating the provisions of this act shall be punished in the manner and be subject to the penalties prescribed by K.S.A. 25-4181, and amendments thereto.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.