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1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to campaign finance; classifying certain street addresses as private data

1.3 on specified documents filed with the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure

1.4 Board, the Secretary of State, local governments, and school districts; prohibiting

1.5 the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board from posting private data on

1.6 its website; providing for the use of noncampaign disbursements for security-related

1.7 expenses; modifying campaign finance laws related to security-related expenses;

1.8 modifying disclaimer requirements; requiring the Campaign Finance and Public

1.9 Disclosure Board, local governments, and school districts to remove, modify, and

1.10 repost reports and statements on websites; removing certification requirements to

1.11 have an address classified as private data on an affidavit of candidacy; providing

1.12 and amending definitions; imposing a penalty; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024,

1.13 sections 10A.01, by adding subdivisions; 10A.02, by adding a subdivision;

1.14 10A.027; 10A.09, subdivisions 5, 5b; 10A.20, subdivision 3; 10A.27, subdivisions

1.15 2, 10; 10A.275, subdivision 1; 204B.07, subdivision 1; 211A.01, by adding

1.16 subdivisions; 211B.04, subdivisions 1, 2; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement,

1.17 sections 10A.01, subdivision 26; 10A.02, subdivision 11b; 10A.04, subdivision

1.18 4; 204B.06, subdivision 1b; 211A.02, subdivision 2; proposing coding for new

1.19 law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 204B; 211A; repealing Minnesota Statutes

1.20 2024, section 10A.09, subdivision 9; Minnesota Rules, part 4501.0100, subpart 2.

1.21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.22 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 10A.01, is amended by adding a subdivision

1.23 to read:

1.24 Subd. 1a. **Address.** "Address" means the complete mailing address, including the zip

1.25 code. An individual may use either the individual's business address or home address. An

1.26 association's address is the address from which the association conducts its business.

2.1 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 10A.01, subdivision 26, is amended  
2.2 to read:

2.3 Subd. 26. **Noncampaign disbursement.** (a) "Noncampaign disbursement" means a  
2.4 purchase or payment of money or anything of value made, or an advance of credit incurred,  
2.5 or a donation in kind received, by a principal campaign committee for any of the following  
2.6 purposes:

2.7 (1) payment for accounting and legal services related to operating the candidate's  
2.8 campaign committee, serving in office, or security for the candidate or the candidate's  
2.9 immediate family, including but not limited to seeking and obtaining a harassment restraining  
2.10 order;

2.11 (2) return of a contribution to the source;

2.12 (3) repayment of a loan made to the principal campaign committee by that committee;

2.13 (4) return of a public subsidy;

2.14 (5) payment for food, beverages, and necessary utensils and supplies, entertainment,  
2.15 and facility rental for a fundraising event;

2.16 (6) services for a constituent by a member of the legislature or a constitutional officer  
2.17 in the executive branch as provided in section 10A.173, subdivision 1;

2.18 (7) payment for food and beverages consumed by a candidate or volunteers while they  
2.19 are engaged in campaign activities;

2.20 (8) payment for food or a beverage consumed while attending a reception or meeting  
2.21 directly related to legislative duties;

2.22 (9) payment of expenses incurred by elected or appointed leaders of a legislative caucus  
2.23 in carrying out their leadership responsibilities;

2.24 (10) payment by a principal campaign committee of the candidate's expenses for serving  
2.25 in public office, other than for personal uses;

2.26 (11) costs of child care for the candidate's children when campaigning;

2.27 (12) fees paid to attend a campaign school;

2.28 (13) costs of a postelection party during the election year when a candidate's name will  
2.29 no longer appear on a ballot or the general election is concluded, whichever occurs first;

2.30 (14) interest on loans paid by a principal campaign committee on outstanding loans;

2.31 (15) filing fees;

3.1 (16) post-general election holiday or seasonal cards, thank-you notes, or advertisements  
3.2 in the news media mailed or published prior to the end of the election cycle;

3.3 (17) the cost of campaign material purchased to replace defective campaign material, if  
3.4 the defective material is destroyed without being used;

3.5 (18) contributions to a party unit;

3.6 (19) payments for funeral gifts or memorials;

3.7 (20) the cost of a magnet less than six inches in diameter containing legislator contact  
3.8 information and distributed to constituents;

3.9 (21) costs associated with a candidate attending a political party state or national  
3.10 convention in this state;

3.11 (22) other purchases or payments specified in board rules or advisory opinions as being  
3.12 for any purpose other than to influence the nomination or election of a candidate or to  
3.13 promote or defeat a ballot question;

3.14 (23) costs paid to a third party for processing contributions made by a credit card, debit  
3.15 card, or electronic check;

3.16 (24) costs paid by a candidate's principal campaign committee to support the candidate's  
3.17 participation in a recount of ballots affecting the candidate's election;

3.18 (25) a contribution to a fund established to support a candidate's participation in a recount  
3.19 of ballots affecting that candidate's election;

3.20 (26) costs paid by a candidate's principal campaign committee for a single reception  
3.21 given in honor of the candidate's retirement from public office after the filing period for  
3.22 affidavits of candidacy for that office has closed;

3.23 (27) a donation from a terminating principal campaign committee to the state general  
3.24 fund;

3.25 (28) a donation from a terminating principal campaign committee to a county obligated  
3.26 to incur special election expenses due to that candidate's resignation from state office;

3.27 (29) during a period starting January 1 in the year following a general election and ending  
3.28 on December 31 of the year of general election, total payments of up to ~~\$3,000~~ \$5,000 for:

3.29 (i) detection-related security monitoring expenses for a candidate, including home  
3.30 security hardware, maintenance of home security monitoring hardware, identity theft  
3.31 monitoring services, and credit monitoring services; and

4.1 (ii) purchase, installation, and maintenance of structural security devices such as locks,  
 4.2 wiring, lighting, gates, doors, and fencing so long as such devices are intended solely to  
 4.3 provide security and not to improve the property or increase its value;

4.4 (30) during a period starting January 1 in the year following a general election and ending  
 4.5 on December 31 of the year of a general election, total payments of up to \$25,000 for security  
 4.6 services, including security services provided by a political party unit as an in-kind  
 4.7 contribution;

4.8 (31) costs paid to repair or replace campaign property that was: (i) lost or stolen, or (ii)  
 4.9 damaged or defaced to such a degree that the property no longer serves its intended purpose.  
 4.10 For purposes of this clause, campaign property includes but is not limited to campaign lawn  
 4.11 signs. The candidate must document the need for these costs in writing or with photographs;  
 4.12 and

4.13 ~~(31)~~(32) transition expenses and inaugural event expenses as defined in section 10A.174.

4.14 (b) The board must determine whether an activity involves a noncampaign disbursement  
 4.15 within the meaning of this subdivision.

4.16 (c) A noncampaign disbursement is considered to be made in the year in which the  
 4.17 candidate made the purchase of goods or services or incurred an obligation to pay for goods  
 4.18 or services.

4.19 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 10A.01, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
 4.20 read:

4.21 Subd. 35d. **Security services.** (a) "Security services" means threat assessments, security  
 4.22 guards, or guest screening services needed to address specific security concerns that result  
 4.23 from the individual's position as a public official or state or local candidate that are provided  
 4.24 by:

4.25 (1) a state or local law enforcement agency; or

4.26 (2) an insured vendor licensed by the Board of Private Detective and Protective Agent  
 4.27 Services under sections 326.32 to 326.339.

4.28 (b) Security services do not include:

4.29 (1) services obtained from a relative or a business owned by a relative, within the third  
 4.30 degree of consanguinity, of an official or candidate; or

4.31 (2) services obtained above fair market value.

5.1 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 10A.01, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
5.2 read:

5.3 Subd. 36a. **Street address.** "Street address" means the name or number of the building,  
5.4 the name of the street on which the building is located, and any unit number.

5.5 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 10A.02, subdivision 11b, is amended  
5.6 to read:

5.7 Subd. 11b. **Data privacy related to electronic reporting system.** (a) The board may  
5.8 develop and maintain systems to enable ~~treasurers~~ individuals to enter and store electronic  
5.9 records online for the purpose of complying with this chapter. Data entered into such systems  
5.10 ~~by treasurers or their authorized agents~~ is not government data under chapter 13 and may  
5.11 not be accessed or used by the board for any purpose without the ~~treasurer's~~ written consent  
5.12 of the filer to whom the data pertains. Data from such systems that has been submitted to  
5.13 the board as a filed report or statement is government data under chapter 13.

5.14 (b) For purposes of administering the refund under section 290.06, subdivision 23, the  
5.15 board may access or use the following data entered and stored in an electronic reporting  
5.16 system and share the data with the commissioner of revenue: (1) the amount of the  
5.17 contribution; (2) the name and address of the contributor; (3) any unique identifier for the  
5.18 contribution; (4) the name and campaign identification number of the party or candidate  
5.19 that received the contribution; and (5) the date on which the contribution was received. Data  
5.20 accessed, used, or maintained by the board under this paragraph are classified as nonpublic  
5.21 data, as defined in section 13.02, subdivision 9, and private data on individuals, as defined  
5.22 in section 13.02, subdivision 12.

5.23 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 10A.02, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
5.24 read:

5.25 Subd. 11c. **Street address data.** The street address of individuals contained on reports  
5.26 and statements filed with the board under sections 10A.09, subdivision 5, paragraph (a),  
5.27 clause (1); 10A.09, subdivision 5b, paragraph (b), clause (1); 10A.155; 10A.179; 10A.20;  
5.28 and 10A.202, are classified as nonpublic data, as defined in section 13.02, subdivision 9,  
5.29 or as private data on individuals as defined in section 13.02, subdivision 12, and in addition  
5.30 to the subject of the data are accessible to the filer of the report or statement containing that  
5.31 data. The board, a county attorney, or a county, municipality, school district, or other political  
5.32 subdivision may use street addresses disclosed on reports and statements to ensure compliance  
5.33 with this chapter.

6.1 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 10A.027, is amended to read:

6.2 **10A.027 INFORMATION ON WEBSITE.**

6.3 (a) The board must not post on its website any canceled checks, bank account numbers,  
6.4 credit card account numbers, or Social Security numbers that may be in the board's possession  
6.5 as a result of report or statement filings, complaints, or other proceedings under this chapter.

6.6 (b) To comply with section 10A.02, subdivision 11c, the board must modify a report or  
6.7 statement to omit private or nonpublic data before posting the report or statement on its  
6.8 website.

6.9 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

6.10 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 10A.04, subdivision 4, is amended  
6.11 to read:

6.12 Subd. 4. **Content.** (a) A report under this section must include information the board  
6.13 requires from the registration form and the information required by this subdivision for the  
6.14 reporting period.

6.15 (b) A lobbyist must report the specific subjects of interest for an entity represented by  
6.16 the lobbyist on each report submitted under this section. A lobbyist must describe a specific  
6.17 subject of interest in the report with enough information to show the particular issue of  
6.18 importance to the entity represented.

6.19 (c) A lobbyist must report every state agency that had administrative action that the  
6.20 represented entity sought to influence during the reporting period. The lobbyist must report  
6.21 the specific subjects of interest for each administrative action and the revisor of statutes  
6.22 rule draft number assigned to the administrative rulemaking.

6.23 (d) A lobbyist must report every political subdivision that considered official action that  
6.24 the represented entity sought to influence during the reporting period. The lobbyist must  
6.25 report the specific subjects of interest for each action.

6.26 (e) A lobbyist must report general lobbying categories and up to four specific subjects  
6.27 of interest related to each general lobbying category on which the lobbyist attempted to  
6.28 influence legislative action during the reporting period. If the lobbyist attempted to influence  
6.29 legislative action on more than four specific subjects of interest for a general lobbying  
6.30 category, the lobbyist, in consultation with the represented entity, must determine which  
6.31 four specific subjects of interest were the entity's highest priorities during the reporting  
6.32 period and report only those four subjects.

7.1 (f) A lobbyist must report the Public Utilities Commission project name for each rate  
 7.2 setting, power plant and powerline siting, or granting of certification of need before the  
 7.3 Public Utilities Commission that the represented entity sought to influence during the  
 7.4 reporting period.

7.5 (g) A lobbyist must report the amount and nature of each gift, item, or benefit, excluding  
 7.6 contributions to a candidate, equal in value to \$5 or more, given or paid to any official, as  
 7.7 defined in section 10A.071, subdivision 1, by the lobbyist or an employer or employee of  
 7.8 the lobbyist. The list must include the official's name and address of, title, and the government  
 7.9 jurisdiction for which the official serves for each official to whom the gift, item, or benefit  
 7.10 was given or paid and the date it was given or paid.

7.11 (h) A lobbyist must report each original source of money in excess of \$500 in any year  
 7.12 used for the purpose of lobbying to influence legislative action, administrative action, or  
 7.13 the official action of a political subdivision. The list must include the name, address, and  
 7.14 employer, or, if self-employed, the occupation and principal place of business, of each payer  
 7.15 of money in excess of \$500.

7.16 (i) On each report, a lobbyist must disclose the general lobbying categories that were  
 7.17 lobbied on in the reporting period.

7.18 (j) A lobbyist must report each expert witness that the lobbyist requested to communicate  
 7.19 with public or local officials as described in section 10A.01, subdivision 21, paragraph (b),  
 7.20 clause (9), and each finance professional who participated in conduit financing as described  
 7.21 in section 10A.01, subdivision 21, paragraph (b), clause (7). The lobbyist must report the  
 7.22 name of the expert witness or finance professional; the employer, if any, of the expert witness  
 7.23 or finance professional; the government entity that received the communication from the  
 7.24 expert witness or finance professional; and the specific subject on which the expert witness  
 7.25 or finance professional communicated. The designated lobbyist must also report this  
 7.26 information if the expert witness or finance professional is requested to communicate by  
 7.27 the principal or association that the lobbyist represents.

7.28 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 10A.09, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

7.29 Subd. 5. **Form; general requirements.** (a) A statement of economic interest required  
 7.30 by this section must be on a form prescribed by the board. Except as provided in subdivision  
 7.31 5b, the individual filing must provide the following information:

7.32 (1) the individual's name, address, occupation, and principal place of business;

7.33 (2) a listing of the name of each associated business and the nature of that association;

8.1 (3) a listing of all real property within the state, excluding homestead property, in which  
8.2 the individual or the individual's spouse holds: (i) a fee simple interest, a mortgage, a contract  
8.3 for deed as buyer or seller, or an option to buy, whether direct or indirect, if the interest is  
8.4 valued in excess of \$2,500; or (ii) an option to buy, if the property has a fair market value  
8.5 of more than \$50,000;

8.6 (4) a listing of all real property within the state in which a partnership of which the  
8.7 individual or the individual's spouse is a member holds: (i) a fee simple interest, a mortgage,  
8.8 a contract for deed as buyer or seller, or an option to buy, whether direct or indirect, if the  
8.9 individual's share of the partnership interest is valued in excess of \$2,500; or (ii) an option  
8.10 to buy, if the property has a fair market value of more than \$50,000. A listing under this  
8.11 clause or clause (3) must indicate the street address and the municipality or the section,  
8.12 township, range and approximate acreage, whichever applies, and the county in which the  
8.13 property is located;

8.14 (5) a listing of any investments, ownership, or interests in property connected with  
8.15 pari-mutuel horse racing in the United States and Canada, including a racehorse, in which  
8.16 the individual directly or indirectly holds a partial or full interest or an immediate family  
8.17 member holds a partial or full interest;

8.18 (6) a listing of the principal business or professional activity category of each business  
8.19 from which the individual or the individual's spouse receives more than \$250 in any month  
8.20 during the reporting period as an employee, if the individual or the individual's spouse has  
8.21 an ownership interest of 25 percent or more in the business;

8.22 (7) a listing of each principal business or professional activity category from which the  
8.23 individual or the individual's spouse received compensation of more than \$2,500 in the past  
8.24 12 months as an independent contractor;

8.25 (8) a listing of the full name of each security with a value of more than \$10,000 owned  
8.26 in part or in full by the individual or the individual's spouse, at any time during the reporting  
8.27 period; and

8.28 (9) a listing of any contract, professional license, lease, or franchise that:

8.29 (i) is held by the individual or the individual's spouse or any business in which the  
8.30 individual has an ownership interest of 25 percent or more; and

8.31 (ii) is entered into with, or issued by, the government agency on which the individual  
8.32 serves as a public or local official.

9.1 (b) For the purposes of paragraph (a), clauses (3) and (4), the board must classify as  
 9.2 private data the street address of real property at which an individual or the individual's  
 9.3 spouse lives on a permanent or temporary basis if the individual certifies for each address  
 9.4 that the individual would have a reasonable fear for the individual's or individual's family's  
 9.5 safety if the address were public data.

9.6 ~~(b)~~ (c) The business or professional categories for purposes of paragraph (a), clauses (6)  
 9.7 and (7), must be the general topic headings used by the federal Internal Revenue Service  
 9.8 for purposes of reporting self-employment income on Schedule C. This paragraph does not  
 9.9 require an individual to report any specific code number from that schedule. Any additional  
 9.10 principal business or professional activity category may only be adopted if the category is  
 9.11 enacted by law.

9.12 ~~(e)~~ (d) For the purpose of calculating the amount of compensation received from any  
 9.13 single source in a single month, the amount shall include the total amount received from  
 9.14 the source during the month, whether or not the amount covers compensation for more than  
 9.15 one month.

9.16 ~~(d)~~ (e) For the purpose of determining the value of an individual's interest in real property,  
 9.17 the value of the property is the market value shown on the property tax statement.

9.18 ~~(e)~~ (f) For the purpose of this section, "date of appointment" means the effective date  
 9.19 of appointment to a position.

9.20 ~~(f)~~ (g) For the purpose of this section, "accepting employment as a public official" means  
 9.21 the effective date of the appointment to the position, as stated in the appointing authority's  
 9.22 notice to the board.

9.23 ~~(g)~~ (h) The listings required in paragraph (a), clauses (3) to (9), must not identify whether  
 9.24 the individual or the individual's spouse is associated with or owns the listed item.

9.25 Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 10A.09, subdivision 5b, is amended to read:

9.26 Subd. 5b. **Form; exceptions for certain officials.** (a) This subdivision applies to the  
 9.27 following individuals:

9.28 (1) a supervisor of a soil and water conservation district;

9.29 (2) a manager of a watershed district; and

9.30 (3) a member of a watershed management organization as defined under section  
 9.31 103B.205, subdivision 13.

10.1 (b) Notwithstanding subdivision 5, paragraph (a), an individual listed in paragraph (a),  
10.2 must provide only the information listed below on a statement of economic interest:

10.3 (1) the individual's name, address, occupation, and principal place of business;

10.4 (2) a listing of any association, corporation, partnership, limited liability company,  
10.5 limited liability partnership, or other organized legal entity from which the individual  
10.6 receives compensation in excess of \$250, except for actual and reasonable expenses, in any  
10.7 month during the reporting period as a director, officer, owner, member, partner, employer,  
10.8 or employee;

10.9 (3) a listing of all real property within the state, excluding homestead property, in which  
10.10 the individual or the individual's spouse holds:

10.11 (i) a fee simple interest, a mortgage, a contract for deed as buyer or seller, or an option  
10.12 to buy, whether direct or indirect, if the interest is valued in excess of \$2,500; or

10.13 (ii) an option to buy, if the property has a fair market value of more than \$50,000;

10.14 (4) a listing of all real property within the state in which a partnership of which the  
10.15 individual or the individual's spouse is a member holds:

10.16 (i) a fee simple interest, a mortgage, a contract for deed as buyer or seller, or an option  
10.17 to buy, whether direct or indirect, if the individual's share of the partnership interest is valued  
10.18 in excess of \$2,500; or

10.19 (ii) an option to buy, if the property has a fair market value of more than \$50,000. A  
10.20 listing under this clause or clause (3) must indicate the street address and the municipality  
10.21 or the section, township, range and approximate acreage, whichever applies, and the county  
10.22 in which the property is located; and

10.23 (5) a listing of any contract, professional license, lease, or franchise that meets the  
10.24 following criteria:

10.25 (i) it is held by the individual or the individual's spouse or any business in which the  
10.26 individual has an ownership interest of 25 percent or more; and

10.27 (ii) it is entered into with, or issued by, the government agency on which the individual  
10.28 serves as a public or local official.

10.29 (c) The listings required in paragraph (b), clauses (3) to (5), must not identify whether  
10.30 the individual or the individual's spouse is associated with or owns the listed item.

10.31 (d) For the purposes of paragraph (b), clauses (3) and (4), the board must classify as  
10.32 private data the street address of real property at which an individual or the individual's

11.1 spouse lives on a permanent or temporary basis if the individual certifies for each address  
11.2 that the individual would have a reasonable fear for the individual's or individual's family's  
11.3 safety if the address were public data.

11.4 (e) If an individual listed in paragraph (a) also holds a public official position that is not  
11.5 listed in paragraph (a), the individual must file a statement of economic interest that includes  
11.6 the information specified in subdivision 5, paragraph (a).

11.7 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 10A.20, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

11.8 Subd. 3. **Contents of report.** (a) The report required by this section must include each  
11.9 of the items listed in paragraphs (b) to (q) that are applicable to the filer. The board shall  
11.10 prescribe forms based on filer type indicating which of those items must be included on the  
11.11 filer's report.

11.12 (b) The report must disclose the amount of liquid assets on hand at the beginning of the  
11.13 reporting period.

11.14 (c) The report must disclose the name, address, employer, or occupation if self-employed,  
11.15 and registration number if registered with the board, of each individual or association that  
11.16 has made one or more contributions to the reporting entity, including the purchase of tickets  
11.17 for a fundraising effort, that in aggregate within the year exceed \$200 for legislative or  
11.18 statewide candidates or more than \$500 for ballot questions, together with the amount and  
11.19 date of each contribution, and the aggregate amount of contributions within the year from  
11.20 each source so disclosed. A donation in kind must be disclosed at its fair market value. An  
11.21 approved expenditure must be listed as a donation in kind. A donation in kind is considered  
11.22 consumed in the reporting period in which it is received. The names of contributors must  
11.23 be listed in alphabetical order. Contributions from the same contributor must be listed under  
11.24 the same name. When a contribution received from a contributor in a reporting period is  
11.25 added to previously reported unitemized contributions from the same contributor and the  
11.26 aggregate exceeds the disclosure threshold of this paragraph, the name, address, and  
11.27 employer, or occupation if self-employed, of the contributor must then be listed on the  
11.28 report.

11.29 (d) The report must disclose the sum of contributions to the reporting entity during the  
11.30 reporting period.

11.31 (e) The report must disclose each loan made or received by the reporting entity within  
11.32 the year in aggregate in excess of \$200, continuously reported until repaid or forgiven,  
11.33 together with the name, address, occupation, principal place of business, if any, and

12.1 registration number if registered with the board of the lender and any endorser and the date  
12.2 and amount of the loan. If a loan made to the principal campaign committee of a candidate  
12.3 is forgiven or is repaid by an entity other than that principal campaign committee, it must  
12.4 be reported as a contribution for the year in which the loan was made.

12.5 (f) The report must disclose each receipt over \$200 during the reporting period not  
12.6 otherwise listed under paragraphs (c) to (e).

12.7 (g) The report must disclose the sum of all receipts of the reporting entity during the  
12.8 reporting period.

12.9 (h) The report must disclose the name, address, and registration number if registered  
12.10 with the board of each individual or association to whom aggregate expenditures, approved  
12.11 expenditures, independent expenditures, and ballot question expenditures have been made  
12.12 by or on behalf of the reporting entity within the year in excess of \$200, together with the  
12.13 amount, date, and purpose of each expenditure, including an explanation of how the  
12.14 expenditure was used, and the name and ~~address~~ the city, state, and zip code of, and office  
12.15 sought by, each candidate or local candidate on whose behalf the expenditure was made,  
12.16 identification of the ballot question that the expenditure was intended to promote or defeat  
12.17 and an indication of whether the expenditure was to promote or to defeat the ballot question,  
12.18 and in the case of independent expenditures made in opposition to a candidate or local  
12.19 candidate, the candidate's or local candidate's name, ~~address~~; the city, state, and zip code;  
12.20 and office sought. A reporting entity making an expenditure on behalf of more than one  
12.21 candidate or local candidate must allocate the expenditure among the candidates and local  
12.22 candidates on a reasonable cost basis and report the allocation for each candidate or local  
12.23 candidate. The report must list on separate schedules any independent expenditures made  
12.24 on behalf of local candidates and any expenditures made for ballot questions as defined in  
12.25 section 10A.01, subdivision 7, clause (2), (3), or (4).

12.26 (i) The report must disclose the sum of all expenditures made by or on behalf of the  
12.27 reporting entity during the reporting period.

12.28 (j) The report must disclose the amount and nature of an advance of credit incurred by  
12.29 the reporting entity, continuously reported until paid or forgiven. If an advance of credit  
12.30 incurred by the principal campaign committee of a candidate is forgiven by the creditor or  
12.31 paid by an entity other than that principal campaign committee, it must be reported as a  
12.32 donation in kind for the year in which the advance of credit was made.

12.33 (k) The report must disclose the name, ~~address~~, and registration number if registered  
12.34 with the board of each political committee, political fund, principal campaign committee,

13.1 local candidate, or party unit to which contributions have been made that aggregate in excess  
13.2 of \$200 within the year and the amount and date of each contribution. The report must  
13.3 include the city, state, and zip code of each principal campaign committee and local  
13.4 candidate. The report must include the address of each political committee, political fund,  
13.5 and party unit. The report must list on separate schedules any contributions made to state  
13.6 candidates' principal campaign committees and any contributions made to local candidates.

13.7 (l) The report must disclose the sum of all contributions made by the reporting entity  
13.8 during the reporting period and must separately disclose the sum of all contributions made  
13.9 to local candidates by the reporting entity during the reporting period.

13.10 (m) The report must disclose the name, address, and registration number if registered  
13.11 with the board of each individual or association to whom noncampaign disbursements have  
13.12 been made that aggregate in excess of \$200 within the year by or on behalf of the reporting  
13.13 entity and the amount, date, and purpose of each noncampaign disbursement, including an  
13.14 explanation of how the expenditure was used.

13.15 (n) The report must disclose the sum of all noncampaign disbursements made within  
13.16 the year by or on behalf of the reporting entity.

13.17 (o) The report must disclose the name and address of a nonprofit corporation that provides  
13.18 administrative assistance to a political committee or political fund as authorized by section  
13.19 211B.15, subdivision 17, the type of administrative assistance provided, and the aggregate  
13.20 fair market value of each type of assistance provided to the political committee or political  
13.21 fund during the reporting period.

13.22 (p) Legislative, statewide, and judicial candidates, party units, and political committees  
13.23 and funds must itemize contributions that in aggregate within the year exceed \$200 for  
13.24 legislative or statewide candidates or more than \$500 for ballot questions on reports submitted  
13.25 to the board. The itemization must include the date on which the contribution was received,  
13.26 the individual or association that provided the contribution, and the address of the contributor.  
13.27 Additionally, the itemization for a donation in kind must provide a description of the item  
13.28 or service received. Contributions that are less than the itemization amount must be reported  
13.29 as an aggregate total.

13.30 (q) Legislative, statewide, and judicial candidates, party units, political committees and  
13.31 funds, and committees to promote or defeat a ballot question must itemize expenditures and  
13.32 noncampaign disbursements that in aggregate exceed \$200 in a calendar year on reports  
13.33 submitted to the board. The itemization must include the date on which the committee made  
13.34 or became obligated to make the expenditure or disbursement, the name and address of the

14.1 vendor that provided the service or item purchased, and a description of the service or item  
 14.2 purchased, including an explanation of how the expenditure was used. Expenditures and  
 14.3 noncampaign disbursements must be listed on the report alphabetically by vendor.

14.4 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 10A.27, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

14.5 Subd. 2. **Political party and dissolving principal campaign committee limit.** A  
 14.6 candidate must not permit the candidate's principal campaign committee to accept  
 14.7 contributions from any political party units or dissolving principal campaign committees  
 14.8 in aggregate in excess of ten times the amount that may be contributed to that candidate as  
 14.9 set forth in subdivision 1. The limitation in this subdivision does not apply to a contribution  
 14.10 from a dissolving principal campaign committee of a candidate for the legislature to another  
 14.11 principal campaign committee of the same candidate. The limitation in this subdivision  
 14.12 does not apply to an in-kind contribution for security services from any political party units,  
 14.13 which are subject to the limitation for noncampaign disbursements in section 10A.01,  
 14.14 subdivision 26, clause (30).

14.15 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 10A.27, subdivision 10, is amended to read:

14.16 Subd. 10. **Limited personal contributions.** (a) A candidate who signs an agreement  
 14.17 under section 10A.322 may not contribute to the candidate's own campaign during a segment  
 14.18 of an election cycle more than five times the candidate's contribution limit for that segment  
 14.19 under subdivision 1.

14.20 (b) The limitation in paragraph (a) does not apply to payments made by the candidate  
 14.21 for the following that would otherwise be considered campaign contributions to the  
 14.22 candidate's own campaign:

14.23 (1) detection-related security monitoring expenses for a candidate, including home  
 14.24 security hardware, maintenance of home security monitoring hardware, identity theft  
 14.25 monitoring services, and credit monitoring services;

14.26 (2) purchase, installation, and maintenance of structural security devices such as locks,  
 14.27 wiring, lighting, gates, doors, and fencing so long as such devices are intended solely to  
 14.28 provide security and not to improve the property or increase its value; and

14.29 (3) security services.

14.30 Notwithstanding the exception in this paragraph, a candidate must still comply with the  
 14.31 limitations for noncampaign disbursements in section 10A.01, subdivision 26, clauses (29)  
 14.32 and (30).

15.1 Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 10A.275, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

15.2 Subdivision 1. **Exceptions.** Notwithstanding other provisions of this chapter, the  
15.3 following expenditures by a party unit, or two or more party units acting together are not  
15.4 considered contributions to or expenditures on behalf of a candidate for the purposes of  
15.5 section 10A.25 or 10A.27 and must not be allocated to candidates under section 10A.20,  
15.6 subdivision 3, paragraph (h):

15.7 (1) expenditures on behalf of candidates of that party generally without referring to any  
15.8 of them specifically in a published, posted, or broadcast advertisement;

15.9 (2) expenditures for the preparation, display, mailing, or other distribution of an official  
15.10 party sample ballot listing the names of three or more individuals whose names are to appear  
15.11 on the ballot;

15.12 (3) expenditures for a telephone call, voice mail, text message, multimedia message,  
15.13 Internet chat message, or email when the communication includes the names of three or  
15.14 more individuals whose names are to appear on the ballot;

15.15 (4) expenditures for a booth at a community event, county fair, or state fair that benefits  
15.16 three or more individuals whose names are to appear on the ballot;

15.17 (5) expenditures for a political party fundraising effort on behalf of three or more  
15.18 candidates; or

15.19 (6) expenditures for party committee staff services that benefit three or more candidates,  
15.20 including contracts with third parties for security services if the services are provided to at  
15.21 least three candidates.

15.22 Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 204B.06, subdivision 1b, is amended  
15.23 to read:

15.24 Subd. 1b. **Address, electronic mail address, and telephone number.** (a) An affidavit  
15.25 of candidacy must state a telephone number where the candidate can be contacted. An  
15.26 affidavit must also state the candidate's or campaign's nongovernment issued electronic  
15.27 mail address or an attestation that the candidate and the candidate's campaign do not possess  
15.28 an electronic mail address. Except for affidavits of candidacy for (1) judicial office, (2) the  
15.29 office of county attorney, or (3) county sheriff, an affidavit must also state the candidate's  
15.30 current address of residence as determined under section 200.031, or at the candidate's  
15.31 request in accordance with paragraph (c), the candidate's campaign contact address. When  
15.32 filing the affidavit, the candidate must present the filing officer with the candidate's valid  
15.33 driver's license or state identification card that contains the candidate's current address of

16.1 residence, or documentation of proof of residence authorized for election day registration  
16.2 in section 201.061, subdivision 3, paragraph (a), clause (2); clause (3); or paragraph (d). If  
16.3 an original bill is shown, the due date on the bill must be within 30 days before or after the  
16.4 beginning of the filing period or, for bills without a due date, dated within 30 days before  
16.5 the beginning of the filing period. If the address on the affidavit and the documentation do  
16.6 not match, the filing officer must not accept the affidavit. The form for the affidavit of  
16.7 candidacy must allow the candidate to request, if eligible, that the candidate's address of  
16.8 residence be classified as private data, ~~and to provide the certification required under~~  
16.9 ~~paragraph (e) for classification of that address.~~

16.10 (b) If an affidavit for an office where a residency requirement must be satisfied by the  
16.11 close of the filing period is filed as provided by paragraph (c), the filing officer must, within  
16.12 one business day of receiving the filing, determine whether the address provided in the  
16.13 affidavit of candidacy is within the area represented by the office the candidate is seeking.  
16.14 For all other candidates who filed for an office whose residency requirement must be satisfied  
16.15 by the close of the filing period, a registered voter in this state may request in writing that  
16.16 the filing officer receiving the affidavit of candidacy review the address as provided in this  
16.17 paragraph, at any time up to one day after the last day for filing for office. If requested, the  
16.18 filing officer must determine whether the address provided in the affidavit of candidacy is  
16.19 within the area represented by the office the candidate is seeking. If the filing officer  
16.20 determines that the address is not within the area represented by the office, the filing officer  
16.21 must immediately notify the candidate and the candidate's name must be removed from the  
16.22 ballot for that office. A determination made by a filing officer under this paragraph is subject  
16.23 to judicial review under section 204B.44.

16.24 (c) If the candidate requests that the candidate's address of residence be classified as  
16.25 private data, the candidate must list the candidate's address of residence on a separate form  
16.26 to be attached to the affidavit. ~~The candidate must also certify on the affidavit that either:~~  
16.27 ~~(1) a police report has been submitted, an order for protection has been issued, or the~~  
16.28 ~~candidate has a reasonable fear in regard to the safety of the candidate or the candidate's~~  
16.29 ~~family; or (2) the candidate's address is otherwise private pursuant to Minnesota law. The~~  
16.30 address of residence provided by a candidate who makes a request for classification on the  
16.31 candidate's affidavit of candidacy ~~and provides the certification required by this paragraph~~  
16.32 is classified as private data, as defined in section 13.02, subdivision 12, but may be reviewed  
16.33 by the filing officer as provided in this subdivision.

17.1 Sec. 16. **[204B.065] CLASSIFICATION OF CERTAIN DATA.**

17.2 Subdivision 1. **Definition.** For purposes of this section, "street address" means the name  
 17.3 or number of the building, the name of the street on which the building is located, and any  
 17.4 unit number.

17.5 Subd. 2. **Data classification.** Street address data of individual candidates on an affidavit  
 17.6 of candidacy or nominating petition submitted prior to May 1, 2026, is classified as nonpublic  
 17.7 data, as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 13.02, subdivision 9, or as private data on  
 17.8 individuals, as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 13.02, subdivision 12.

17.9 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective seven days following final enactment.

17.10 Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 204B.07, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

17.11 Subdivision 1. **Form of petition.** A nominating petition may consist of one or more  
 17.12 separate pages each of which shall state:

17.13 (a) the office sought;

17.14 (b) the candidate's name ~~and residence address, including street and number if any;~~  
 17.15 campaign website, if any; and the candidate's or campaign's nongovernment-issued email  
 17.16 address or a statement that the candidate and the candidate's campaign do not possess an  
 17.17 email address; and

17.18 (c) the candidate's political party or political principle expressed in not more than three  
 17.19 words. No candidate who files for a partisan office by nominating petition shall use the term  
 17.20 "nonpartisan" as a statement of political principle or the name of the candidate's political  
 17.21 party. No part of the name of a major political party may be used to designate the political  
 17.22 party or principle of a candidate who files for a partisan office by nominating petition, except  
 17.23 that the word "independent" may be used to designate the party or principle. A candidate  
 17.24 who files an affidavit of candidacy to fill a vacancy in nomination for a nonpartisan office  
 17.25 pursuant to section 204B.13, shall not state any political principle or the name of any political  
 17.26 party on the petition.

17.27 Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 211A.01, is amended by adding a subdivision  
 17.28 to read:

17.29 Subd. 1a. **Address.** "Address" means the complete mailing address, including the zip  
 17.30 code. An individual may use either the individual's business address or home address. An  
 17.31 association's address is the address from which the association conducts its business.

18.1 Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 211A.01, is amended by adding a subdivision  
18.2 to read:

18.3 Subd. 9. **Street address.** "Street address" means the name or number of the building,  
18.4 the name of the street on which the building is located, and any unit number.

18.5 Sec. 20. **[211A.015] ADDRESSES; DATA CLASSIFICATION.**

18.6 For purposes of chapter 211A, the street address of individuals contained on reports and  
18.7 statements filed with a county, municipality, school district, or other political subdivision  
18.8 are classified as nonpublic data, as defined in section 13.02, subdivision 9, or as private  
18.9 data on individuals, as defined in section 13.02, subdivision 12, and in addition to the subject  
18.10 of the data are accessible to the filer of the report or statement containing that data. The  
18.11 county, municipality, school district, or other political subdivision may use street addresses  
18.12 disclosed on reports and statements to ensure compliance with this chapter.

18.13 Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 211A.02, subdivision 2, is amended  
18.14 to read:

18.15 Subd. 2. **Information required.** The report to be filed by a candidate or committee must  
18.16 include:

18.17 (1) the name of the candidate and office sought;

18.18 (2) the printed name, address, telephone number, signature, and email address or an  
18.19 attestation that the candidate and the candidate's campaign do not possess an email address,  
18.20 of the person responsible for filing the report;

18.21 (3) the total cash on hand designated to be used for political purposes;

18.22 (4) the total amount of contributions received and the total amount of disbursements for  
18.23 the period from the last previous report to five days before the current report is due;

18.24 (5) if disbursements made to the same vendor exceed \$100 in the aggregate during the  
18.25 period covered by the report, the name and address for the vendor and the amount, date,  
18.26 and purpose for each disbursement; and

18.27 (6) the name, address, and employer, or occupation if self-employed, of any individual  
18.28 or entity that during the period covered by the report has made one or more contributions  
18.29 that in the aggregate exceed \$100, and the amount and date of each contribution. ~~The filing~~  
18.30 ~~officer must restrict public access to the address of any individual who has made a~~  
18.31 ~~contribution that exceeds \$100 and who has filed with the filing officer a written statement~~

19.1 ~~signed by the individual that withholding the individual's address from the financial report~~  
 19.2 ~~is required for the safety of the individual or the individual's family.~~

19.3 Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 211B.04, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

19.4 Subdivision 1. **Campaign material.** (a) A person or committee who participates in the  
 19.5 preparation or dissemination of campaign material other than as provided in section 211B.05,  
 19.6 subdivision 1, that does not prominently include the name and address of the person or  
 19.7 committee causing the material to be prepared or disseminated in a disclaimer substantially  
 19.8 in the form provided in paragraph (b) or (c) is guilty of a misdemeanor.

19.9 (b) Except in cases covered by paragraph (c) or subdivision 2, the required form of the  
 19.10 disclaimer is: "Prepared and paid for by ~~the~~ ..... ~~committee,~~ ..... (name of entity) (address)."  
 19.11 ~~for material prepared and paid for by a principal campaign committee, or "Prepared and~~  
 19.12 ~~paid for by the~~ ..... ~~committee,~~ ..... (address)" ~~for material prepared and paid for by a~~  
 19.13 ~~person or committee other than a principal campaign committee.~~ The address must be either  
 19.14 the ~~committee's~~ entity's mailing address, an actively monitored email address, or the  
 19.15 ~~committee's~~ entity's website, if the website includes the ~~committee's~~ entity's mailing address  
 19.16 or email address. If the material is produced and disseminated without cost, the words "paid  
 19.17 for" may be omitted from the disclaimer.

19.18 (c) In the case of broadcast media, the required form of disclaimer is: "Paid for by ~~the~~  
 19.19 ~~..... committee~~ (name of entity)." If the material is produced and broadcast without cost,  
 19.20 the required form of the disclaimer is: "The ~~..... committee~~ (name of entity) is responsible  
 19.21 for the content of this message."

19.22 Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 211B.04, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

19.23 Subd. 2. **Independent expenditures.** (a) A person or committee who participates in the  
 19.24 preparation or dissemination of independent expenditure material that does not prominently  
 19.25 include the name and address of the person or committee causing the material to be prepared  
 19.26 or disseminated in a disclaimer substantially in the form provided in paragraph (b) or (c) is  
 19.27 guilty of a misdemeanor.

19.28 (b) Except in cases covered by paragraph (c), the required form of the disclaimer on a  
 19.29 ~~written~~ independent expenditure material is: "This is an independent expenditure prepared  
 19.30 and paid for by ..... (name of entity ~~participating in the expenditure~~), ..... (address). It is  
 19.31 not coordinated with or approved by any candidate nor is any candidate responsible for it."  
 19.32 The address must be ~~either~~ the entity's mailing address, an actively monitored email address,  
 19.33 or the entity's website, if the website includes the entity's mailing or email address. When

20.1 ~~a written~~ independent expenditure material is produced and disseminated without cost, the  
 20.2 words "and paid for" may be omitted from the disclaimer.

20.3 ~~(b)~~ (c) The required form of the disclaimer on a broadcast independent expenditure  
 20.4 material is: "This independent expenditure is paid for by ..... (name of entity ~~participating~~  
 20.5 ~~in the expenditure~~). It is not coordinated with or approved by any candidate nor is any  
 20.6 candidate responsible for it." When a broadcast independent expenditure material is produced  
 20.7 and disseminated without cost, the following disclaimer may be used: "..... (name of entity  
 20.8 ~~participating in the expenditure~~) is responsible for the ~~contents~~ content of this independent  
 20.9 expenditure. It is not coordinated with or approved by any candidate nor is any candidate  
 20.10 responsible for it."

20.11 Sec. 24. **REDACTING STREET ADDRESSES; LOCAL GOVERNMENT REPORTS**  
 20.12 **AND STATEMENTS.**

20.13 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 211A.02, subdivision 6, within seven  
 20.14 calendar days of the effective date of this section, any local government that posts campaign  
 20.15 finance reports or statements on the local government's website must remove the reports or  
 20.16 statements if the report or statement includes private or nonpublic data. Prior to reposting  
 20.17 any statement or report, the local government must redact or omit all private or nonpublic  
 20.18 data.

20.19 (b) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 211A.02, subdivision 6, the filing officer  
 20.20 of a local government must have all reports reposted within six months of the effective date  
 20.21 of this section.

20.22 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

20.23 Sec. 25. **REDACTING STREET ADDRESSES; REPORTS AND STATEMENTS**  
 20.24 **ON BOARD'S WEBSITE.**

20.25 (a) Within seven calendar days of the effective date of this section, the Campaign Finance  
 20.26 and Public Disclosure Board must remove from the board's website all reports and statements  
 20.27 that were filed in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.09, 10A.20, or 10A.202.  
 20.28 The board must redact or omit private or nonpublic data from each statement or report and  
 20.29 repost the report to the board's website. The board must prioritize its work on reports and  
 20.30 statements in the following order:

20.31 (1) reports and statements from candidates;

20.32 (2) reports and statements from party units;

21.1 (3) reports and statements from political committees, political funds, independent  
 21.2 expenditure funds, and ballot funds; and

21.3 (4) all other statements and filings.

21.4 When the board completes its work with statements and reports from a category above, the  
 21.5 board must post the reports and statements on the board's website.

21.6 (b) The board must have all reports reposted within six months of the effective date of  
 21.7 this section. If the board is unable to comply with this timeline, the board must report to the  
 21.8 chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over  
 21.9 campaign finance policy why compliance was not possible, what issues must be resolved  
 21.10 in order for the board to be in compliance, and when the board anticipates it will be able to  
 21.11 comply.

21.12 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

21.13 **Sec. 26. TRANSITION TO NEW AFFIDAVITS OF CANDIDACY AND**  
 21.14 **NOMINATING PETITIONS.**

21.15 Notwithstanding the requirements of this act, a completed affidavit of candidacy under  
 21.16 Minnesota Statutes, section 204B.06, or nominating petition under Minnesota Statutes,  
 21.17 section 204B.07, submitted by a candidate is not deficient if the affidavit form or nominating  
 21.18 petition form was printed or provided prior to the effective date of any modification required  
 21.19 by this act. For elections occurring on or after November 4, 2026, an election official must  
 21.20 not print, copy, or publicly distribute a blank affidavit of candidacy or nominating petition  
 21.21 that does not include the required modification in this act.

21.22 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

21.23 **Sec. 27. REPEALER.**

21.24 (a) Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 10A.09, subdivision 9, is repealed.

21.25 (b) Minnesota Rules, part 4501.0100, subpart 2, is repealed.

APPENDIX  
Repealed Minnesota Statutes: S3710-2

**10A.09 STATEMENTS OF ECONOMIC INTEREST.**

Subd. 9. **Waivers.** Upon written request and for good cause shown, the board may waive the requirement that an official disclose the address of real property that constitutes a secondary residence of the official.

**4501.0100 DEFINITIONS.**

Subp. 2. **Address.** "Address" means the complete mailing address, including the zip code. An individual may use either the person's business address or home address. An association's address is the address from which the association conducts its business.