

STATE OF NEW YORK

2004

2019-2020 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

January 18, 2019

Introduced by Sen. BROOKS -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Elections

AN ACT to amend the election law, in relation to the use of campaign funds to pay attorney's fees

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Section 14-130 of the election law is amended by adding a
2 new subdivision 7 to read as follows:

3 7. No campaign funds shall be used to pay attorney's fees or any costs
4 for the actual defense of a candidate, public or party official, members
5 of their immediate family or domestic partner under federal criminal
6 indictment. Such funds may only be used exclusively for costs related
7 to civil actions instituted pursuant to article sixteen of this chapter.

8 § 2. This act shall take effect on the sixtieth day after it shall
9 have become a law; provided, however, that the state board of elections
10 shall notify all registered campaign committees of the applicable
11 provisions of this act within thirty days after this act shall have
12 become a law.

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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