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AN ACT to amend the election law, in relation to contribution activities by an intermediary

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- 1 Section 1. The election law is amended by adding a new section 14-105
2 to read as follows:
3 S 14-105. CONTRIBUTION DELIVERY ACTIVITIES BY AN INTERMEDIARY. 1. FOR
4 PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION "INTERMEDIARY" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL, CORPORATION,
5 PARTNERSHIP, POLITICAL COMMITTEE, EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATION OR OTHER
6 ENTITY WHICH:
7 (A) OTHER THAN IN THE REGULAR COURSE OF BUSINESS AS A POSTAL, DELIVERY
8 OR MESSENGER SERVICE, DELIVERS ANY CONTRIBUTION FROM ANOTHER PERSON OR
9 ENTITY TO A CANDIDATE OR AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE; OR
10 (B) SOLICITS CONTRIBUTIONS TO A CANDIDATE OR OTHER AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE
11 WHERE SUCH SOLICITATION IS KNOWN TO SUCH CANDIDATE OR HIS OR HER
12 AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS PARAGRAPH, ONLY PERSONS
13 CLEARLY IDENTIFIED AS THE SOLICITOR OF A CONTRIBUTION TO THE CANDIDATE
14 OR HIS OR HER AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE SHALL BE PRESUMED TO BE KNOWN TO SUCH
15 CANDIDATE OR HIS OR HER AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE. "INTERMEDIARY" SHALL NOT
16 INCLUDE SPOUSES, DOMESTIC PARTNERS, PARENTS, CHILDREN OR SIBLINGS OF THE
17 PERSON MAKING SUCH CONTRIBUTION, OR ANY PAID OR VOLUNTEER FULL-TIME
18 CAMPAIGN WORKERS OR COMMERCIAL FUNDRAISING FIRMS RETAINED BY THE CANDIDATE
19 AND THE AGENTS THEREOF.
20 2. WHEN CONTRIBUTIONS TOTALING ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS OR MORE ARE DELIVERED
21 BY THE INTERMEDIARY TO THE RECIPIENT CANDIDATE, AUTHORIZED CANDI-

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

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1 DATE COMMITTEE OR PARTY COMMITTEE, THE INTERMEDIARY SHALL INDICATE IN
2 WRITING TO THE RECIPIENT CANDIDATE, AUTHORIZED CANDIDATE COMMITTEE OR
3 PARTY COMMITTEE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:
4 (A) THE NAME, MAILING ADDRESS AND OCCUPATION OF EACH CONTRIBUTOR WHO
5 MAKES A CONTRIBUTION OVER NINETY-NINE DOLLARS, AND THE AMOUNT OF EACH
6 CONTRIBUTION, AND FOR EACH CONTRIBUTION OF TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS OR MORE,
7 THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF SUCH CONTRIBUTOR'S EMPLOYER;
8 (B) THE TOTAL AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF CONTRIBUTIONS OF NINETY-NINE DOLLARS
9 OR LESS; AND
10 (C) THE DATE THE CONTRIBUTION WAS RECEIVED BY THE INTERMEDIARY AND THE
11 DATE THE CONTRIBUTIONS WERE DELIVERED TO THE RECIPIENT CANDIDATE,
12 AUTHORIZED CANDIDATE COMMITTEE OR PARTY COMMITTEE.
13 3. THE RECIPIENT CANDIDATE, AUTHORIZED CANDIDATE COMMITTEE OR PARTY
14 COMMITTEE SHALL REPORT TO THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS THE INTERMEDIARY
15 WHO DELIVERS CONTRIBUTIONS TOTALING ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS OR MORE ON THE
16 STATEMENTS REQUIRED BY THIS ARTICLE.
17 4. THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS SHALL PROVIDE A SECTION FOR INTERME-
18 DIARY REPORTING AS REQUIRED BY THIS SECTION, WHICH SHALL INCLUDE:
19 (A) THE NAME, MAILING ADDRESS, OCCUPATION AND EMPLOYER OF THE INTERME-
20 DIARY; AND
21 (B) THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF CONTRIBUTIONS DELIVERED BY THE INTERMEDIARY TO
22 THE CANDIDATE, THE CANDIDATE'S AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE OR A PARTY COMMIT-
23 TEE.
24 S 2. This act shall take effect January 1, 2012. Provided, however,
25 that contributions legally received prior to the effective date of this
26 act may be retained and expended for lawful purposes and shall not
27 provide the basis for a violation of article 14 of the election law, as
28 amended by this act; and provided, further, that the state board of
29 elections shall notify all candidates and political committees of the
30 applicable provisions of this act within thirty days after this act
31 shall have become a law.