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I N A S S E M B L Y

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Introduced by M. of A. KAVANAGH -- read once and referred to the Committee on Election Law

AN ACT to amend the election law, in relation to prohibiting candidates from authorizing more than one political committee for any one election

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

1 Section 1. Section 14-112 of the election law, as amended by chapter  
2 930 of the laws of 1981, is amended to read as follows:  
3 S 14-112. [Political] AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE; POLITICAL committee  
4 authorization statement. 1. Any political committee aiding or taking  
5 part in the election or nomination of any candidate[, other than by  
6 making contributions,] shall file, in the office in which the statements  
7 of such committee are to be filed pursuant to this article, either a  
8 sworn verified statement by the treasurer of such committee AND THE  
9 CANDIDATE that [the] SUCH candidate has authorized the political commit-  
10 tee to aid or take part in his OR HER election or A SWORN VERIFIED  
11 STATEMENT BY THE TREASURER OF SUCH COMMITTEE that the candidate has not  
12 authorized the committee to aid or take part in his OR HER election.  
13 2. NO CANDIDATE MAY AUTHORIZE MORE THAN ONE POLITICAL COMMITTEE FOR  
14 ANY ONE ELECTION. ANY CANDIDATE WHO, ON DECEMBER FIRST, TWO THOUSAND  
15 NINE, HAS AUTHORIZED MORE THAN ONE POLITICAL COMMITTEE FOR ANY ONE  
16 ELECTION SHALL, NOT LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER SAID DATE, DISAVOW ALL  
17 BUT ONE OF SUCH COMMITTEES, IN WRITING, TO THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS.  
18 THIS SUBDIVISION SHALL NOT APPLY TO THE AUTHORIZATION OF AN EXPLORATORY  
19 COMMITTEE BY AN ELECTED PUBLIC OFFICIAL. A MULTI-CANDIDATE COMMITTEE MAY  
20 NOT BE AN AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE.  
21 3. CAMPAIGN FUNDS REMAINING IN ANY DISAVOWED COMMITTEE SHALL BE  
22 DISPOSED OF PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE.  
23 S 2. This act shall take effect on the sixtieth day after it shall  
24 have become a law; provided, however, that the state board of elections  
25 shall notify all candidates and political committees of the applicable  
26 provisions of this act within thirty days after this act shall have  
27 become a law.

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

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