

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 395

BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

1 RELATING TO ETHICS IN GOVERNMENT; AMENDING SECTION 74-407, IDAHO CODE, TO
2 DEFINE A TERM AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; AND DECLARING AN EMER-
3 GENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
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5 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

6 SECTION 1. That Section 74-407, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby
7 amended to read as follows:

8 74-407. TAX COMMISSION CORRESPONDENCE -- COUNTY PROPERTY TAX CORRE-
9 SPONDENCE. (1) Neither the name of any public official, nor any electioneer-
10 ing message, shall appear on tax commission correspondence with a taxpayer,
11 whether or not it includes a check, warrant, or rebate, or on a county prop-
12 erty tax correspondence with a taxpayer, whether or not it includes a check,
13 warrant, or rebate, unless acting as an endorser of a check, warrant, or re-
14 bate or unless otherwise necessary for the proper execution of a check, war-
15 rant, or rebate. This provision shall not apply to standard letterhead of
16 the tax commission or of a county.

17 (2) For purposes of this section, "electioneering message" shall in-
18 clude statements regarding, expressing support for, or soliciting support
19 for any:

20 (a) Governmental program or initiative; or

21 (b) Nonprofit corporation, including any program or initiative of a
22 nonprofit corporation.

23 SECTION 2. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby
24 declared to exist, this act shall be in full force and effect on and after
25 July 1, 2024.