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HOUSE BILL NO. 695

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CAMPAIGN FINANCE DISCLOS: Authorizes the supervisory committee or its staff to solicit information from a person required to file campaign finance reports or the report preparer

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 18:1511.2(C), relative to the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act; to provide
3 relative to the authority of the supervisory committee and its staff; to provide for
4 certain inquiries; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 18:1511.2(C) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §1511.2. Supervisory Committee; rule-making authority; advisory opinions;
8 inquiries

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10 C. The supervisory committee or the staff of the supervisory committee may
11 request clarification or additional information from a candidate, political committee,
12 other person required to file reports pursuant to this Chapter, campaign treasurer, or
13 the preparer of any report required to be filed pursuant to this Chapter regarding any
14 information disclosed on a report or that is required to be disclosed on a report.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Authorizes the supervisory committee or its staff to request clarification or additional information from specified persons regarding any information disclosed or required to be disclosed on a report filed pursuant to the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act.

Present law (Campaign Finance Disclosure Act) requires political committees, candidates, and other persons to file reports disclosing contributions, expenditures, receipts, disbursements, and other specified information.

Present law provides that the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure (supervisory committee), constituted of the members of the Board of Ethics, shall administer and enforce the provisions of the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act. Provides procedures for enforcement of violations, including but not limited to the conduct of investigations and the authority to subpoena witnesses and compel the production of specified records.

Proposed law retains present law but additionally authorizes the supervisory committee or its staff to request clarification or additional information from a candidate, political committee, other persons required to file reports pursuant to present law, campaign treasurer, or the preparer of any report required to be filed pursuant to present law regarding any information disclosed on a report or required to be disclosed on a report by present law.

(Adds R.S. 18:1511.2(C))