



State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 470

HOUSE BILL NO. 275

By Representatives McCormick, Hardaway, Clemmons, Daniel, Kumar, Powell, Williams

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 327

By Senators Overbey, Yarbrow, Roberts, Briggs, Yager

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2, Chapter 10, Part 1; Title 3, Chapter 6 and Title 8, Chapter 50, Part 5, relative to disclosure of travel expenses.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-50-502(5), is amended by deleting the subdivision and by substituting instead the following:

(5) By any member of the general assembly, the amount and source, by name, of any:

(A) Contributions from private sources for use in defraying the expenses necessarily related to the adequate performance of that member's legislative duties. The expenditure of campaign funds by an officeholder for the furtherance of the office of the officeholder is considered an expenditure under title 2, chapter 10, and such expenditures need not be reported under this chapter; and

(B) Travel expenses, including any expenses incidental to such travel, paid on behalf of the member by a person with an interest in a public policy of this state if the travel was for the purpose of informing or advising the member with respect to the public policy;

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it, and shall only apply to travel expenses incurred on or after the effective date of this act.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-50-502(5), is amended by deleting the subdivision and by substituting instead the following:

(5) By any member of the general assembly, the amount and source, by name, of any:

(A) Contributions from private sources for use in defraying the expenses necessarily related to the adequate performance of that member's legislative duties. The expenditure of campaign funds by an officeholder for the furtherance of the office of the officeholder is considered an expenditure under title 2, chapter 10, and such expenditures need not be reported under this chapter; and

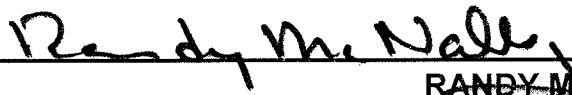
(B) Travel expenses, including any expenses incidental to such travel, paid on behalf of the member by a person with an interest in a public policy of this state if the travel was for the purpose of informing or advising the member with respect to the public policy. Travel expenses does not include expenses for travel, if such expenses are paid for or reimbursed by a governmental entity or an established and recognized organization of elected or appointed state government officials, staff of state government officials, or both officials and staff, or any other established and recognized organization that is an umbrella organization for such officials, staff, or both officials and staff;

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it, and shall only apply to travel expenses incurred on or after the effective date of this act.

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PASSED: May 10, 2017


BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES


RANDY MCNALLY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 30th day of May 2017


BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR