

HOUSE BILL 1719

By McCormick

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2,  
Chapter 19, Part 1, relative to the use of corporate  
funds in elections.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-19-132, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subsection:

(c) The prohibition of subsection (a) does not apply to moneys collected from members of a qualifying trade or professional association, in addition to regular dues, earmarked for the purpose of association PAC donations. Association PACs accepting such contributions shall maintain compliance with all applicable Tennessee laws regarding PAC donations to candidates for public office. A qualifying trade or professional association shall have been in existence in Tennessee for at least five (5) years and the association shall:

- (1) Have a constitution or bylaws; and
- (2) Have members that support the association by regular payment of dues on an annual, semiannual, quarterly or monthly basis.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.