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SENATE BILL 1635

By Yarbro

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-19-120, relative to political communications.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-19-120, is amended by deleting subsection (a) and substituting instead the following:

(a) If a person makes an expenditure for the purpose of financing a communication that expressly advocates for the election or defeat of a clearly identified candidate, as defined by § 2-10-102, or that solicits any contribution, through any broadcasting station, newspaper, magazine, outdoor advertising facility, poster, yard sign, direct mailing, social media platform, or any other form of general public political advertising, a disclaimer meeting the requirements of subdivision (a)(1), (a)(2), (a)(3), or (a)(4) must appear and be presented in a clear and conspicuous manner to give the reader, observer, or listener adequate notice of the identity of the person or persons who paid for and, where required, authorized the communication. Such person is not required to place the disclaimer on the front face or page of any such material as long as a disclaimer appears within the communication, except on communications, such as billboards, that contain only a front face.

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

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