

Fifty-sixth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

SENATE BILL NO. 2316

Introduced by

Senators Kelsh, O'Connell

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 16.1-08.1-02 and 16.1-08.1-03.2 of the North
2 Dakota Century Code, relating to the filing of campaign contribution statements by political
3 committees organized in support of candidates.

4 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

5 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 16.1-08.1-02 of the North Dakota Century Code
6 is amended and reenacted as follows:

7 **16.1-08.1-02. Contributions statement required of candidates and political**
8 **committees organized in support of candidates.** Any candidate who is soliciting or
9 accepting contributions for any political purpose and any political committee organized in
10 support of a candidate shall make and file a statement in accordance with this section.

11 The candidate or political committee shall include in the statement the name and
12 mailing address of all contributors who contributed in excess of one hundred dollars in the
13 aggregate during the reporting period to the candidate or political committee, the amount of
14 each reportable contribution, and the date each reportable contribution was received.

15 The candidate or political committee shall file the statement no later than the twelfth day
16 before the date of the election in which the candidate's name appears on the ballot or in which
17 the candidate seeks election through write-in votes complete from the beginning of that
18 calendar year through the twentieth day before the date of the election. The candidate or
19 political committee shall file a complete statement for the entire calendar year no later than the
20 thirty-first day of January of the following year, regardless of whether the candidate's name
21 appeared on the ballot for any office during that calendar year or whether the candidate did not
22 seek election at any election through write-in votes.

1 Statements ~~of~~ for a legislative candidate must be filed in the office of the county auditor
2 of the candidate's county of residence. Statements ~~of~~ for state office candidates must be filed
3 in the office of the secretary of state.

4 Even if the candidate or political committee has not received any contributions in excess
5 of one hundred dollars during the calendar year, the candidate or political committee shall file a
6 statement as required by this chapter.

7 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 16.1-08.1-03.2 of the North Dakota Century Code
8 is amended and reenacted as follows:

9 **16.1-08.1-03.2. Political committee registration.** A political committee, other than a
10 political party ~~and a committee organized in support of a legislative candidate~~, and a person
11 aiding or opposing a measure to be voted upon by the voters of the state shall register its
12 name, address, and its agent's name and address with the secretary of state each calendar
13 year in which it receives any contribution. The registration must be completed within five days
14 of the receipt of any contribution and must be submitted with a registration fee of five dollars.