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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015

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RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- CAMPAIGN FINANCE

Introduced By: Representatives Marcello, Hearn, Ajello, Nunes, and Jacquard

Date Introduced: March 12, 2015

Referred To: House Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 17-25 of the General Laws entitled "Rhode Island Campaign
2 Contributions and Expenditures Reporting" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following
3 section:

4 **17-25-7.7. Campaign financial accounts.** – [Every candidate for public office, who](#)
5 [receives more than one thousand dollars \(\\$1,000\) in contributions or expends more than one](#)
6 [thousand dollars \(\\$1,000\) in any one election cycle, shall maintain a campaign financial checking](#)
7 [account in a state or federally-regulated institution. Only campaign funds may be deposited in the](#)
8 [campaign checking account and these campaign funds cannot be comingled with any other non-](#)
9 [campaign funds from any source.](#)

10 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
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1 This act would require all candidates for public office who receive or expend more than
2 one thousand dollars (\$1,000) in any one election cycle, to maintain a separate campaign
3 checking account which shall solely contain campaign contributions.

4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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