

General Assembly

Committee Bill No. 1168

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LCO No. 6009



Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by: (GAE)

AN ACT PROVIDING A SAFEGUARD TO CONTRIBUTORS ON ONLINE POLITICAL FUNDRAISING PLATFORMS RELATED TO AUTOMATICALLY RECURRING CONTRIBUTIONS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective from passage) An online platform that
- 2 collects a contribution, as defined in section 9-601a of the general
- 3 statutes, from a contributor and transmits such contribution to a
- 4 committee, as defined in section 9-601 of the general statutes, shall not
- 5 allow for automatically recurring contributions to be made from a
- 6 contributor without the affirmative consent of such contributor. Passive
- 7 action or inaction on the part of a contributor, such as failure to uncheck
- 8 a prechecked box authorizing an automatically recurring contribution,
- 9 shall not satisfy the requirement of affirmative consent under this
- 10 section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1 from passage New section

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Statement of Purpose:

To prohibit online political fundraising platforms from allowing for automatically recurring contributions without the affirmative consent of contributors.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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