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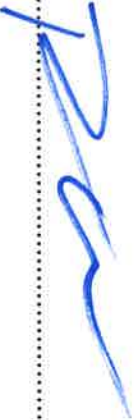
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- 1.1 Dehn from the Subcommittee on Elections to which was referred:
- 1.2 H. F. No. 673, A bill for an act relating to campaign finance; adding payments for security
- 1.3 services to the list of allowable noncampaign disbursements; amending Minnesota Statutes
- 1.4 2018, section 10A.01, subdivision 26.
- 1.5 Reported the same back with the following amendments:
- 1.6 Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:
- 1.7 "Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 10A.01, subdivision 26, is amended to read:
- 1.8 Subd. 26. **Noncampaign disbursement.** (a) "Noncampaign disbursement" means a
- 1.9 purchase or payment of money or anything of value made, or an advance of credit incurred,
- 1.10 or a donation in kind received, by a principal campaign committee for any of the following
- 1.11 purposes:
 - 1.12 (1) payment for accounting and legal services;
 - 1.13 (2) return of a contribution to the source;
 - 1.14 (3) repayment of a loan made to the principal campaign committee by that committee;
 - 1.15 (4) return of a public subsidy;
 - 1.16 (5) payment for food, beverages, and necessary utensils and supplies, entertainment,
 - 1.17 and facility rental for a fund-raising event;
 - 1.18 (6) services for a constituent by a member of the legislature or a constitutional officer
 - 1.19 in the executive branch as provided in section 10A.173, subdivision 1;
 - 1.20 (7) payment for food and beverages consumed by a candidate or volunteers while they
 - 1.21 are engaged in campaign activities;
 - 1.22 (8) payment for food or a beverage consumed while attending a reception or meeting
 - 1.23 directly related to legislative duties;

- 2.1 (9) payment of expenses incurred by elected or appointed leaders of a legislative caucus
- 2.2 in carrying out their leadership responsibilities;
- 2.3 (10) payment by a principal campaign committee of the candidate's expenses for serving
- 2.4 in public office, other than for personal uses;
- 2.5 (11) costs of child care for the candidate's children when campaigning;
- 2.6 (12) fees paid to attend a campaign school;
- 2.7 (13) costs of a postelection party during the election year when a candidate's name will
- 2.8 no longer appear on a ballot or the general election is concluded, whichever occurs first;
- 2.9 (14) interest on loans paid by a principal campaign committee on outstanding loans;
- 2.10 (15) filing fees;
- 2.11 (16) post-general election holiday or seasonal cards, thank-you notes, or advertisements
- 2.12 in the news media mailed or published prior to the end of the election cycle;
- 2.13 (17) the cost of campaign material purchased to replace defective campaign material, if
- 2.14 the defective material is destroyed without being used;
- 2.15 (18) contributions to a party unit;
- 2.16 (19) payments for funeral gifts or memorials;
- 2.17 (20) the cost of a magnet less than six inches in diameter containing legislator contact
- 2.18 information and distributed to constituents;
- 2.19 (21) costs associated with a candidate attending a political party state or national
- 2.20 convention in this state;
- 2.21 (22) other purchases or payments specified in board rules or advisory opinions as being
- 2.22 for any purpose other than to influence the nomination or election of a candidate or to
- 2.23 promote or defeat a ballot question;
- 2.24 (23) costs paid to a third party for processing contributions made by a credit card, debit
- 2.25 card, or electronic check;
- 2.26 (24) a contribution to a fund established to support a candidate's participation in a recount
- 2.27 of ballots affecting that candidate's election;
- 2.28 (25) costs paid by a candidate's principal campaign committee for a single reception
- 2.29 given in honor of the candidate's retirement from public office after the filing period for
- 2.30 affidavits of candidacy for that office has closed;

- 3.1 (26) a donation from a terminating principal campaign committee to the state general
- 3.2 fund; ~~and~~
- 3.3 (27) a donation from a terminating principal campaign committee to a county obligated
- 3.4 to incur special election expenses due to that candidate's resignation from state office; and
- 3.5 (28) payment of security-related expenses for a candidate and any immediate family
- 3.6 member of the candidate residing in the candidate's household, including but not limited to
- 3.7 home security cameras, a home security system, and identity theft monitoring services.
- 3.8 (b) The board must determine whether an activity involves a noncampaign disbursement
- 3.9 within the meaning of this subdivision.
- 3.10 (c) A noncampaign disbursement is considered to be made in the year in which the
- 3.11 candidate made the purchase of goods or services or incurred an obligation to pay for goods
- 3.12 or services."
- 3.13 With the recommendation that when so amended the bill be returned to the Committee
- 3.14 on Government Operations.

This Subcommittee action taken February 13, 2020


, Chair