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Financial statement requirements. Current law requires charitable organizations to file annual reports with the Attorney General. Under the current law, these annual reports must include financial statements with specified information, including a list of the five highest paid directors, officers, and employees of the organization whose total compensation exceeds \$50,000, with the total compensation paid to each. Under current law, total compensation includes salary as well as fringe benefits and deferred compensation paid by the employer. This bill increases the \$50,000 threshold to \$100,000.

This bill also changes the definition of "compensation" for purposes of the reporting requirement. Under the proposal, "compensation" is defined by reference to the amount reported on the W-2 or 1099-MISC form the organization issues to the individual. The bill provides that the value of fringe benefits and employer-paid deferred compensation will be reported as a separate item.