

By: Davis of Harris

H.B. No. 1379

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the reporting of political contributions and political
3 expenditures by out-of-state political committees.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Section 251.005(d), Election Code, is amended to
6 read as follows:

7 (d) An out-of-state political committee that does not file a
8 campaign treasurer appointment shall comply with Sections
9 ~~[Section]~~ 254.1581, 254.161, and 254.261.

10 SECTION 2. Section 254.161, Election Code, is amended to
11 read as follows:

12 Sec. 254.161. NOTICE TO CANDIDATE AND OFFICEHOLDER OF
13 CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES. If a general-purpose committee
14 other than the principal political committee of a political party
15 or a political committee established by a political party's county
16 executive committee accepts political contributions or makes
17 political expenditures for a candidate or officeholder, notice of
18 that fact shall be given to the affected candidate or officeholder
19 as provided by Section 254.128 for a specific-purpose committee.
20 An out-of-state political committee that is required to comply with
21 this section shall designate an officer of the committee to provide
22 the notice.

23 SECTION 3. Section 254.261, Election Code, is amended by
24 adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

1 (e) This section applies to an out-of-state political
2 committee that does not file a campaign treasurer appointment.

3 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.