

1-1 By: Fallon S.B. No. 1874
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 7, 2019; March 18, 2019, read
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs;
 1-4 May 10, 2019, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 9,
 1-5 Nays 0; May 10, 2019, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the timely filing of reports of political contributions
 1-20 and expenditures; increasing a criminal penalty.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Section 254.041, Election Code, is amended by
 1-23 amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsection (b-1) to read as
 1-24 follows:

1-25 (b) Except as provided by Subsections (b-1) and
 1-26 ~~[Subsection]~~ (c), an offense under this section is a Class C
 1-27 misdemeanor.

1-28 (b-1) A violation of Subsection (a)(1) is a Class B
 1-29 misdemeanor if it is shown on the trial of the offense that the
 1-30 person knowingly failed to file three or more consecutive reports
 1-31 under this chapter on time.

1-32 SECTION 2. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to
 1-33 a report required to be filed under Chapter 254, Election Code, on
 1-34 or after the effective date of this Act. A report required to be
 1-35 filed before the effective date of this Act is subject to the law in
 1-36 effect at the time the report was filed, and the former law is
 1-37 continued in effect for that purpose.

1-38 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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