

Bill No. HB 2165, 1st Eng.

Amendment No.

	<u>Senate</u>	CHAMBER ACTION	<u>House</u>
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11	Senator Silver moved the following amendment:		
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13	Senate Amendment (with title amendment)		
14	On page 2, line 23,		
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16	insert:		
17	Section 2. Subsection (5) of section 106.141, Florida		
18	Statutes, is amended to read:		
19	106.141 Disposition of surplus funds by candidates.--		
20	(5) A candidate elected to office or a candidate who		
21	will be elected to office by virtue of his or her being		
22	unopposed may, in addition to the disposition methods provided		
23	in subsection (4), transfer from the campaign account to an		
24	office account any amount of the funds on deposit in such		
25	campaign account up to:		
26	(a) Ten thousand dollars, for a candidate for		
27	statewide office. The Governor and Lieutenant Governor shall		
28	be considered separate candidates for the purpose of this		
29	section.		
30	(b) Five thousand dollars, for a candidate for		
31	multicounty office.		

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1 (c) Five thousand ~~Two thousand five hundred~~ dollars
2 multiplied by the number of years in the term of office for
3 which elected, for a candidate for legislative office.

4 (d) One thousand dollars multiplied by the number of
5 years in the term of office for which elected, for a candidate
6 for county office or for a candidate in any election conducted
7 on less than a countywide basis.

8 (e) Six thousand dollars, for a candidate for
9 retention as a justice of the Supreme Court.

10 (f) Three thousand dollars, for a candidate for
11 retention as a judge of a district court of appeal.

12 (g) One thousand five hundred dollars, for a candidate
13 for county court judge or circuit judge.

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15 The office account established pursuant to this subsection
16 shall be separate from any personal or other account. Any
17 funds so transferred by a candidate shall be used only for
18 legitimate expenses in connection with the candidate's public
19 office. Such expenses may include travel expenses incurred by
20 the officer or a staff member, personal taxes payable on
21 office account funds by the candidate or elected public
22 official, or expenses incurred in the operation of his or her
23 office, including the employment of additional staff. The
24 funds may be deposited in a savings account; however, all
25 deposits, withdrawals, and interest earned thereon shall be
26 reported at the appropriate reporting period. If a candidate
27 is reelected to office or elected to another office and has
28 funds remaining in his or her office account, he or she may
29 transfer surplus campaign funds to the office account. At no
30 time may the funds in the office account exceed the limitation
31 imposed by this subsection. Upon leaving public office, any

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1 person who has funds in an office account pursuant to this
2 subsection remaining on deposit shall give such funds to a
3 charitable organization or organizations which meet the
4 requirements of s. 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or,
5 in the case of a state officer, to the state to be deposited
6 in the General Revenue Fund or, in the case of an officer of a
7 political subdivision, to the political subdivision to be
8 deposited in the general fund thereof.

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10 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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14 And the title is amended as follows:

15 On page 1, lines 2-5, delete those lines

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17 and insert:

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An act relating to elections; amending s.

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106.011, F.S.; modifying the definition of

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"political committee"; amending s. 106.141,

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F.S.; increasing the amount which may be

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effective date.

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