



State of Wisconsin
2015 - 2016 LEGISLATURE

LRBa1078/1
JK&TKK:kjf&wlj

**SENATE AMENDMENT 2,
TO SENATE BILL 292**

October 22, 2015 – Offered by Senator S. FITZGERALD.

1 At the locations indicated, amend the bill as follows:

2 **1.** Page 18, line 19: delete lines 19 to 22 and substitute:

3 “(17) “Independent expenditure committee” means any person, other than an
4 individual, or any permanent or temporary combination of 2 or more persons
5 unrelated by marriage that satisfies any of the following:

6 1. It has the major purpose of making independent expenditures, as specified
7 in the person’s organizational or governing documents, the person’s bylaws,
8 resolutions of the person’s governing body, or registration statements filed by the
9 person under this chapter.

10 2. It uses more than 50 percent of its total spending in a 12-month period on
11 independent expenditures and expenditures made to support or defeat a
12 referendum. In this subdivision, total spending does not include a committee’s
13 fundraising or administrative expenses.”.

1 **2.** Page 19, line 1: delete lines 1 to 3.

2 **3.** Page 19, line 15: delete the material beginning with that line and ending
3 with page 20, line 4, and substitute:

4 “(25) (a) Subject to par. (b), “political action committee” means any person,
5 other than an individual, or any permanent or temporary combination of 2 or more
6 persons unrelated by marriage that satisfies any of the following:

7 1. It has the major purpose of express advocacy, as specified in the person’s
8 organizational or governing documents, the person’s bylaws, resolutions of the
9 person’s governing body, or registration statements filed by the person under this
10 chapter.

11 2. It uses more than 50 percent of its total spending in a 12-month period on
12 expenditures for express advocacy, expenditures made to support or defeat a
13 referendum, and contributions made to a candidate committee, legislative campaign
14 committee, or political party. In this subdivision, total spending does not include a
15 committee’s fundraising or administrative expenses.

16 (b) “Political action committee” does not include a candidate committee,
17 legislative campaign committee, political party, or recall committee.”.

18 **4.** Page 20, line 17: delete lines 17 to 22 and substitute:

19 “(28) “Referendum committee” means an entity that satisfies all of the
20 following:

21 (a) It satisfies either of the following:

22 1. It has the major purpose of making expenditures to support or defeat a
23 referendum, as specified in the entity’s organizational or governing documents, the

1 entity's bylaws, resolutions of the entity's governing body, or registration statements
2 filed by the entity under this chapter.

3 2. It uses more than 50 percent of its total spending in a 12-month period on
4 expenditures made to support or defeat a referendum. In this subdivision, total
5 spending does not include a committee's fundraising or administrative expenses.

6 (b) It is organized by any person, other than an individual, or by any permanent
7 or temporary combination of 2 or more persons unrelated by marriage.

8 (c) It does not receive contributions or make disbursements or contributions for
9 the purpose of influencing or attempting to influence a candidate's nomination or
10 election.”.

11 **5.** Page 27, line 7: after that line insert:

12 “(5) NONRESIDENT REPORTING. Notwithstanding the reporting requirements
13 that would otherwise apply under this chapter, but subject to the applicable
14 thresholds for submitting reports, a committee that does not maintain an office or
15 a street address in this state shall submit reports on a form prescribed by the board
16 of all disbursements made and obligations incurred with respect to an election for a
17 state or local office in this state and contributions from sources in this state.”.

18 **6.** Page 52, line 13: delete that line.

19 **7.** Page 57, line 14: delete “\$5,000” and substitute “\$2,500”.

20 **8.** Page 58, line 12: delete “\$5,000” and substitute “\$2,500”.

21 **9.** Page 60, line 19: delete lines 19 to 23.

22 **10.** Page 65, line 23: delete “\$5,000” and substitute “\$2,500”.

23 **11.** Page 66, line 21: delete “\$5,000” and substitute “\$2,500”.

