

By Mr. Rushing of Boston, petition of Byron Rushing, Nelson Merced, Pamela P. Resor, Stephen W. Doran, Gloria L. Fox, John A. Businger and another for legislation to further regulate the disclosure of expenditures for ballot questions and referenda by organizations other than political committees. Election Laws.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-One.

AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING DISCLOSURE OF EXPENDITURES FOR
BALLOT QUESTIONS AND REFERENDA BY ORGANIZATIONS OTHER THAN
POLITICAL COMMITTEES.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 22 of Chapter 55 of the General Laws,
2 as appearing in the 1988 Official Edition, is hereby amended by
3 inserting the words "partnership, trust, foundation, association,
4 or any other group of persons other than a political committee"
5 in line 1 after the word "corporation".

1 SECTION 2. Said section 22 is further amended by deleting
2 the second paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following:
3 Such report shall be filed as follows: (1) on or before the tenth
4 day of January in each year in which such report is not otherwise
5 required to be filed; (2) the sixtieth day prior to the election
6 complete as of the preceding fifth day; (3) on or before the fifth
7 day and twentieth day of each month complete as of the preceding
8 first and fifteenth day of the month; (4) on or before the fifth or
9 twentieth day of the month next following the election, complete
10 as of the day of the election; and (5) thereafter, on the fifth day
11 of each month complete as of the first day of such month until
12 all declared liabilities have been discharged.

1 SECTION 3. Said Section 22 is further amended by inserting
2 in line 17 the words "partnership, trust, foundation, association,

3 or any other group of persons other than a political committee”
4 after the word “corporation”.

1 SECTION 4. Said Section 22 is further amended by inserting
2 in line 19 the words “partner, trustee” after the word “director”
3 and in the same line the words “partnership, trust, foundation,
4 association, or any other group of persons other than a political
5 committee” after the word “corporation”.