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House Bill 4446 (Substitute S-2 as reported)

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Senate Committee: Elections and Government Reform

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Michigan Campaign Finance Act to do the following:

- -- Allow a candidate committee or other committee to deposit the proceeds of a joint fundraiser in a secondary depository for certain purposes.
- -- Require a separate segregated fund to report certain information pertaining to payment for a prize.
- -- Allow a connected organization to pay the actual costs related to mailing or shipping an item or prize for its separate segregated fund.
- -- Specify that affirmative consent for contributions for a separate segregated fund on an automatic basis would expire upon revocation of the individual who provided it.
- -- Modify provisions pertaining to contributions that could be transferred to a separate segregated fund.
- -- Specify conditions for when a connected organization could make an in-kind contribution to pay costs for a prize.
- -- Delete February 15 from the list of dates by which a ballot question campaign committee must file a campaign statement.
- -- Allow an independent expenditure committee to indicate in a written statement that it did not expect in a calendar year to receive or spend more than \$1,000.
- -- Allow certain in-kind contributions and expenditures to be made by credit or debit card.
- -- Extend to December 31, 2019 the deadline for which a political committee organized for the purpose of making independent expenditures would be considered an independent expenditure committee.
- -- Modify various definitions.

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Legislative Analyst: Stephen Jackson

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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