

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **DIGEST**

Currently, out-of-state political committees (PACs) are not required to file campaign contributions and expenditure reports in Texas unless they make 20 percent of their total political expenditures in this state or file a campaign treasurer appointment. S.B. 909 would require out-of-state PACs to file campaign contribution and expenditure reports similar to those currently filed by in-state political committees and candidates.

### **PURPOSE**

As proposed, S.B. 909 regulates the reporting of political contributions and expenditures by certain out-of-state political committees.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

### **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Section 253.031, Election Code, to delete Subsection (e) providing that this section does not apply to an out-of-state political committee unless the committee is subjected to Chapter 252 under Section 251.005. Makes a conforming change.

SECTION 2. Amends Chapter 254B, Election Code, by adding Section 254.0312, as follows:

Sec. 254.0312. REPORTING BY OUT-OF-STATE POLITICAL COMMITTEE. Requires each report filed under this chapter by an out-of-state political committee to include certain information, instead of the information required by Sections 254.031(a)(3), (5), and (6).

SECTION 3. Repeals: Section 251.005, Election Code (Out-of-State Committees Excluded); and Section 253.032, Election Code (Limitation on Contributions by Out-of-State Committee).

SECTION 4. Makes application of this Act prospective to September 1, 1999.

SECTION 5. Emergency clause.  
Effective date: 90 days after adjournment.