

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **DIGEST AND PURPOSE**

Currently, state senators and state representatives must file supplemental campaign contribution reports upon receipt of contributions exceeding \$1,000 and \$200, respectively, within nine days of the election. However, statewide candidates are not required to file these supplemental reports. H.B. 407 includes statewide offices in the supplemental filing requirements for campaign contributions exceeding \$1,000 within nine days of the election.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

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

### **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Section 254.038(a), Election Code, to require the following persons, in addition to other reports required by this chapter, to file additional reports during the period beginning the ninth day before election day and ending at 12 noon on the second day before election day:

- a candidate for statewide office who has an opponent whose name is to appear on the ballot and who accepts political contributions from a person that in the aggregate exceed \$1,000 during that reporting period; and
- a specific-purpose committee for supporting or opposing a candidate for statewide office and that accepts political contributions from a person that in the aggregate exceed \$1,000 during that reporting period.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2001.

SECTION 3. Makes application of this Act prospective.