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RELIEF AT LAST: SECTION 527 COMPROMISE BILL SIGNED INTO LAW BY PRESIDENT BUSH

WASHINGTON, DC— More than two years of dedicated grassroots work by state and local associations ended November 2 with President Bush signing into law a compromise bill amending the Section 527 disclosure law. The compromise legislation, passed by Congress in October, eliminates duplicative reporting requirements unintentionally imposed on state and local organizations by the original law.

That this legislation was signed before the November elections is a true testament to the persistence of the American Society of Association Executives' (ASAE) grassroots network across the country.

“State and local associations got a big lift with this signing,” said Jim Clarke, ASAE’s Senior Vice President for Public Policy and Strategic Relations. “Associations fully believe in disclosure. It was the provision requiring duplicative reporting from organizations that already file that was proving truly burdensome.”

ASAE views the legislation signed by President Bush as a true compromise bill, leaving intact the original intent of disclosure law, which was to require reporting from a growing number of “stealth” organizations registered under Section 527. These 527 organizations had not previously been disclosing any of their activities or contributors.

For state and local trade and professional associations, however, the law meant they would file volumes of duplicative paperwork with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), in addition to reporting to the appropriate state agencies as usual. This compromise bill will save these state and local organizations a tremendous amount of time and unnecessary effort.

Rep. Kevin Brady (R-TX) introduced the House bill (H.R. 5596), which passed October 16. Led by Sens. Kay Bailey Hutchison (R-TX) and Joe Lieberman (D-CT), the Senate unanimously passed the bill a day later.

2002 ELECTION RESULTS

Governor

Bill Owens (R)

Lt. Governor

Jane Norton (R)

Secretary of State

Donetta Davidson (R)

Attorney General

Ward Albright (R)

Treasurer

Mike Coffman (R)

U.S. Senate

Wayne Allard (R)

House of Representatives 1st District

Diane DeGette (D)

House of Representatives 2nd District

Mark Udall (D)

House of Representatives 3rd District

Scott McInnis (R)

House of Representatives 4th District

Marilyn Musgrave (R)

House of Representatives 5th District

Joel Hefley (R)

House of Representatives 6th District

Tom Tancredo (R)

House of Representatives 7th District

Bob Beauprez (R)

In addition to providing relief to state and local organizations, the new law also exempts state and local candidates and party committees from duplicative disclosure requirements. Most of the provisions of the legislation are retroactive to the original effective date of the Section 527 reporting requirements. ASAE and its members insisted on this language in order to prevent state and local associations from being penalized under the complicated provisions of the original disclosure law.



DECISION 2002

Winners are listed in italics and bold print

	Republican Voters	Democratic Voters	Unaffiliated Voters	Total Voters
Senate District 01	29,925	11,530	997	42,452
<i>Mark D. Hillman (R)</i>				
Mark Benner (D)				
Senate District 02	22,599	15,055	1,156	38,810
<i>Ken Kester (R)</i>				
Daniel B. Slater (D)				
Senate District 03	14,579	25,697	900	41,176
Joyce R. Lawrence (R)				
<i>Abel J. Tapia (D)</i>				
Senate District 05	25,730	16,387	2,310	44,427
<i>Lewis H. Entz (R)</i>				
Rafeal Lorenzo Gallegos (D)				
Senate District 06	20,964	24,156	N/A	45,120
Kay Alexander (R)				
<i>James Isgar (D)</i>				
Senate District 07	0	0	0	0
<i>Ronald J. Teck (R)</i>				
No Candidates (D)				
Senate District 09	31,678	0	6,546	38,224
<i>Doug Lamborn (R)</i>				
No Candidates (D)				
Senate District 11	12,010	11,389	2,342	25,741
<i>Ed Jones (R)</i>				
Tony Marino (D)				
Senate District 13	28,071	0	5,570	33,641
<i>Dave Owen (R)</i>				
No Candidates (D)				
Senate District 15	30,646	18,374	N/A	49020
<i>Steve Johnson (R)</i>				
Kathy Gilliland (D)				
Senate District 16	23,638	25,900	N/A	49538
Webster Sill (R)				
<i>Joan Fitz-Gerald (D)</i>				
Senate District 20	19,321	19,497	N/A	38818
Steve Jensen (R)				
<i>Maryanne Moe Keller (D)</i>				
Senate District 22	28,489	15,224	N/A	43713
<i>Norma Anderson (R)</i>				
Robert John Francis Sampron (D)				
Senate District 24	7,790	10,227	N/A	18,017
Joy M. Bowman (R)				
<i>Alice J. Nichol (D)</i>				
Senate District 30	31,459	12,894	N/A	44,353
<i>John Evans (R)</i>				
Jerri Hill (D)				
Senate District 32	N/A	27,311	N/A	27,311
No Candidates (R)				
<i>Dan Grossman (D)</i>				
Senate District 34	N/A	17,920	N/A	17,920
No Candidates (R)				
<i>Paula E. Sandoval (D)</i>				

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Representative District 01	N/A	11,397	0	11,397
No Candidates (R)				
Fran N. Coleman (D)				
Representative District 02	2,247	6,939	451	9,637
Leonard Alford Thomas (R)				
Desiree M. Sanches (D)				
Representative District 03	9,179	15,286	549	25,014
Karen Kataline (R)				
Jennifer L. Veiga (D)				
Representative District 04	3,247	10,314	1,101	14,662
Rick Nevin (R)				
K. Jerry Frangas (D)				
Representative District 05	2,855	8,392	352	11,599
Brandi Moreland (R)				
Joel Judd (D)				
Representative District 06	N/A	17,639	3,288	20,927
No Candidates (R)				
Andrew Romanoff (D)				
Representative District 07	3,427	10,217	N/A	13644
R. Mike Faris (R)				
Peter C. Groff (D)				
Representative District 08	2,295	14,582	N/A	16,877
Roman Coleman (R)				
Rosemary Marshall (D)				
Representative District 09	9,468	10,087	458	20,013
Bruce Holland (R)				
Alice Borodkin (D)				
Representative District 10	N/A	16,697	3,436	20,133
No Candidates (R)				
Alice Madden (D)				
Representative District 11	11,887	12,467	804	25,158
Leona Stoecker (R)				
John V. (Jack) Pommer (D)				
Representative District 12	7,770	12,991	665	21,426
Jim Egerton (R)				
Paul Weissmann (D)				
Representative District 13	8,131	18,564	1,119	27,814
David Hustvedt (R)				
Tom Plant (D)				
Representative District 14	17,081	N/A	0	17,081
David C. Schultheis (R)				
No Candidates (D)				
Representative District 15	13,087	4,273	555	17,915
Bill Cadman (R)				
Charley Johnson (D)				
Representative District 16	12,570	5,779	766	19,115
William (Bill) Sinclair (R)				
Mark Entrekin (D)				
Representative District 17	4,802	2,702	0	7,504
Mark Cloer (R)				
P.M. Wynn (D)				





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Representative District 18	8,309	8,384	763	17,456
Dan Stuart (R)				
Mike Merrifield (D)				
Representative District 19	9,607	5,023	660	15,290
Richard D. Decker (R)				
Kenneth A. Barela (D)				
Representative District 20	21,582	N/A	3,699	25,281
Lynn Christian Hefley (R)				
No Candidates (D)				
Representative District 21	15,043	6,791	650	22,484
Keith King (R)				
Timothy M. Snowden(D)				
Representative District 22	12,893	9,060	N/A	21,953
Rob Fairbank (R)				
Charles W. Carter (D)				
Representative District 23	10,280	9,309	N/A	19,589
Ramey Johnson (R)				
Kelley M. Daniel (D)				
Representative District 24	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Perry Jon Vasquez (R)				
Cheri E. Jahn (D)				
Representative District 25	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
John Witwer (R)				
No Candidates (D)				
Representative District 26	9,848	11,224	647	21,719
Scott D. McKay (R)				
Betty Boyd (D)				
Representative District 27	12,494	11,405	633	24,532
Bill Crane (R)				
Sara Gagliardi (D)				
Representative District 28	14,150	9,608	N/A	23,758
Don Lee (R)				
Brenda (Bee) Adams (D)				
Representative District 29	9,876	9,509	581	19,966
Bob Briggs (R)				
Debbie Benefield (D)				
Representative District 30	3,379	3,608	N/A	6,987
David Dunnell (R)				
Mary Hodge (D)				
Representative District 31	6,065	5,499	N/A	11,564
Pam Rhodes (R)				
Paul Zimmerman (D)				
Representative District 32	3,122	4,138	N/A	7,260
David M. Borstel ®				
Valentin Vigil (D)				
Representative District 33	10,950	9,142	598	20,690
Shawn Mitchell (R)				
Vincent J. Buzek (D)				
Representative District 34	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
No Candidates (R)				
Lois A. Tochtrop (D)				

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Representative District 35	N/A	5,938	1,728	7,666
No Candidates (R)				
Ann F. Ragsdale (D)				
Representative District 36	0	7,686	N/A	7,686
James W. Parker III "Jim" (R)				
Frank Weddig (D)				
Representative District 37	17,422	9,489	0	26,911
Lauri Clapp (R)				
John R. Phillips (D)				
Representative District 38	14,742	8,066	990	23,798
Joe Stengel (R)				
Glen L. Emerson (D)				
Representative District 39	15,128	8,167	N/A	23,295
Nancy Spence (R)				
Kelan Brady (D)				
Representative District 40	14,868	3,696	N/A	18,564
Debbie Stafford (R)				
No Candidates (D)				
Representative District 41	7,520	10,023	471	18,014
Dayton E. Conway (R)				
Suzanne Williams (D)				
Representative District 42	3,943	6,503	332	10,778
Alexander D. Jacobson (R)				
Micheal Garcia (D)				
Representative District 43	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Ted Harvey (R)				
Laura Darby (D)				
Representative District 44	17,200	6,659	N/A	23,859
Mike May (R)				
Ernie Felix (D)				
Representative District 45	21,841	N/A	4,629	26,470
Tom J. Weins (R)				
No Candidates (D)				
Representative District 46	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
No Candidates (R)				
Dorothy B. Butcher (D)				
Representative District 47	10,743	11,364	N/A	22,107
Les Shaver (R)				
Liane "Buffle" McFadyen (D)				
Representative District 48	14,279	10,549	N/A	24,828
Dale K. Hall (R)				
Pamela A. Shaddock (D)				
Representative District 49	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Kevin Lundberg (R)				
No Candidates (D)				
Representative District 50	9,295	2,683	N/A	11,978
Tambor Williams (R)				
No Candidates (D)				
Representative District 51	12,442	N/A	11,493	23,935
Timothy S. Fritz (R)				
No Candidates (D)				





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Representative District 52	12,610	11,817	N/A	24,427
Bob McCluskey (R)				
Bryan Jameson (D)				
Representative District 53	8,907	9,542	N/A	18,449
Kirk Brush (R)				
Angie Paccione (D)				
Representative District 54	19,489	3,550	N/A	23,039
Matt Smith (R)				
No Candidates (D)				
Representative District 55	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Gayle Berry (R)				
No Candidate				
Representative District 56	9,495	9,821	N/A	19,316
Heather Lemon (R)				
Carl Miller (D)				
Representative District 57	13,700	7,024	241	20,965
Al White (R)				
Terry D. Carwile (D)				
Representative District 58	13,276	11,160	985	25,421
Ray Rose (R)				
William N. (Bill) Patterson (D)				
Representative District 59	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Mark Larson (R)				
No Candidates (D)				
Representative District 60	16,948	8,699	N/A	25,647
Lola Spradley (R)				
Emily Tracy (D)				
Representative District 61	11,496	9,676	967	22,139
Gregg P. Rippy (R)				
Rick Davis (D)				
Representative District 62	7,856	13,190	N/A	21,046
Jim Snook (R)				
John T. Salazar (D)				
Representative District 63	17,991	N/A	3,050	21,041
Greg Brophy (R)				
No Candidates (D)				
Representative District 64	9,816	8,999	268	19,083
Brad Young (R)				
Wes McKinley (D)				
Representative District 65	14,842	5,589	469	20,900
Diane Hoppe (R)				
Ken Clark (D)				

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