

110TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# S. 2030

To amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to require reporting relating to bundled contributions made by persons other than registered lobbyists.

---

## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 6, 2007

Mr. REID (for Mr. OBAMA (for himself and Mr. FEINGOLD)) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration

---

## A BILL

To amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to require reporting relating to bundled contributions made by persons other than registered lobbyists.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. REPORTING OF BUNDLED CONTRIBUTIONS BY**  
4                       **PERSONS OTHER THAN REGISTERED LOBBY-**  
5                       **ISTS.**

6       (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (i) of section 304 of  
7       the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (2 U.S.C.  
8       434(i)), as added by the Honest Leadership and Open  
9       Government Act of 2007, is amended—

1           (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “reasonably  
2           known by the committee to be a person described in  
3           paragraph (7)”;

4           (2) in paragraph (2), by striking “means, with  
5           respect to a committee” and all that follows through  
6           “threshold.” and inserting the following: “means—

7                   “(A) with respect to a committee which is  
8                   an authorized committee of a candidate for the  
9                   office of President or for nomination to such of-  
10                  fice—

11                           “(i) the 2-year period preceding the  
12                           date of the election for the office of the  
13                           President; and

14                           “(ii) any reporting period applicable  
15                           to the committee under this section during  
16                           which any person provided 2 or more bun-  
17                           dled contributions to the committee in an  
18                           aggregate amount greater than the appli-  
19                           cable threshold; and

20                           “(B) with respect to any other com-  
21                  mittee—

22                           “(i) the period beginning January 1  
23                           and ending June 30 of each year;

24                           “(ii) the period beginning July 1 and  
25                           ending December 31 of each year; and

1 “(iii) any reporting period applicable  
 2 to the committee under this section during  
 3 which any person provided 2 or more bun-  
 4 dled contributions to the committee in an  
 5 aggregate amount greater than the appli-  
 6 cable threshold.”;

7 (3) in paragraph (3)—

8 (A) by striking subparagraph (A) and in-  
 9 serting the following:

10 “(A) IN GENERAL.—In this subsection, the  
 11 ‘applicable threshold’ is—

12 “(i) \$50,000 in the case of a com-  
 13 mittee which is an authorized committee of  
 14 a candidate for the office of President or  
 15 for nomination to such office; and

16 “(ii) \$15,000 in the case of any other  
 17 committee.

18 In determining whether the amount of bundled  
 19 contributions provided to a committee by a per-  
 20 son exceeds the applicable threshold, there shall  
 21 be excluded any contribution made to the com-  
 22 mittee by the person or the person’s spouse.”;  
 23 and

1 (B) in subparagraph (B), by striking “the  
2 amount” each place it appears and inserting  
3 “each amount”;

4 (4) in paragraph (5), by striking “described in  
5 paragraph (7)” each place it appears in subpara-  
6 graphs (C) and (D);

7 (5) by striking paragraph (7) and inserting the  
8 following:

9 “(7) SEPARATE REPORTING FOR CERTAIN PER-  
10 SONS.—Each committee required to include a sched-  
11 ule under paragraph (1) shall also include a separate  
12 schedule setting forth the name, address, and em-  
13 ployer of each person listed on the schedule required  
14 under paragraph (1) who, at the time a contribution  
15 is forwarded to a committee as described in para-  
16 graph (8)(A)(i) or is received by a committee as de-  
17 scribed in paragraph (8)(A)(ii), is—

18 “(A) a current registrant under section  
19 4(a) of the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995;

20 “(B) an individual who is listed on a cur-  
21 rent registration filed under section 4(b)(6) of  
22 such Act or a current report under section  
23 5(b)(2)(C) of such Act; or

24 “(C) a political committee established or  
25 controlled by such a registrant or individual.

1       The schedule required under the preceding sentence  
 2       shall also include the aggregate amount of bundled  
 3       contributions provided by each such person during  
 4       the covered period.”; and

5               (6) in paragraph (8)(A)—

6                       (A) by striking “and a person described in  
 7                       paragraph (7)”; and

8                       (B) by adding at the end the following  
 9                       flush sentence:

10                      “The term ‘bundled contribution’ shall not in-  
 11                      clude any contribution forwarded by or credited  
 12                      to (through records, designations, or other  
 13                      means of recognizing a certain amount of  
 14                      money has been raised) a person who is a regu-  
 15                      larly paid employee of the committee.”.

16       (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
 17       this section shall take effect as if included in section 204  
 18       of the Honest Leadership and Open Government Act of  
 19       2007.

○