

## LEGISLATIVE BILL 479

Approved by the Governor April 17, 1987

Introduced by Withem, 14; Barrett, 39

AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act; to amend section 49-1474.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943; to change provisions relating to certain political material as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. That section 49-1474.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

49-1474.01. (1) No person or committee shall print, publish, reproduce, or distribute in quantity, nor order to be printed, published, reproduced, or distributed by any method any photograph, handbill, pamphlet, advertisement, circular, postcard, placard, or letter, which contains any statement, notice, information, allegation, or other material concerning any candidate, committee, political party, or ballot question, whether in favor of or against such candidate, committee, political party, or ballot question, in connection with any election, without also printing or reproducing thereon legibly the name of the person or committee at whose instance or request such photograph, handbill, pamphlet, advertisement, circular, postcard, placard, or letter is so printed, published, or reproduced. In the case of a committee, the name and residence address of at least the treasurer shall be given.

(2) The provisions of this section shall not apply to windshield stickers, yard signs, bumper stickers, or to official ballot pamphlets, or cards containing only biographical and other factual information relating to a candidate and printed or reproduced at the request of such candidate or his or her candidate committee.

(3) Commercial printers and publishers shall not be subject to the provisions of this section. (1) The person who pays for the production, distribution, or posting of a billboard, placard, poster, pamphlet, or other printed matter relating to a candidate or ballot issue shall cause a disclaimer containing the name and

street address of the person to appear on such matter. The person who pays for a radio or television advertisement relating to a candidate or ballot issue shall cause a disclaimer containing the name of such person to be included in the advertisement, and the radio or television station shall, for a period of at least six months, keep the street address of such person on file and divulge it to any person upon request.

(2) The size and placement of the disclaimer shall be determined by rules and regulations adopted and promulgated by the commission. The rules and regulations shall exempt from the disclaimer required by this section windshield stickers, yard signs, bumper stickers, campaign buttons, and balloons and may also exempt other items relating to a candidate or committee which are printed or reproduced at the request of such candidate or committee.

~~(4)~~ (3) Any person who knowingly violates the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a Class IV misdemeanor.

Sec. 2. That original section 49-1474.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, is repealed.