

Councilmember Tommy Wells

AN AMENDMENT

#3

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Date: November 5, 2013

Amendment to BILL 20-76, CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM AND TRANSPARENCY
AMENDMENT ACT OF 2013

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No. 1.

- (1) Subparagraph (D) is amended by striking the word “and” at the end.
- (2) Subparagraph (E) is amended by adding the word “and” at the end.
- (3) A new subparagraph (F) is added to read as follows:

“(F)(i)(I) A summary of each person, business, or business entity that has made a contribution to a political committee, political action committee, or independent expenditure committee in the prior 2-year period and has been awarded a contract with the District of Columbia in the prior 2-year period or is currently seeking a contract with the District of Columbia;

“(II) If a business or business entity has made a contribution pursuant to sub-sub-subparagraph (I) of this sub-subparagraph, the name and address of each person whose ownership interest in the entity exceeds 50 %;

(ii) Beginning January 1, 2015, the summary required by this subparagraph shall be published in the biennial report required by this paragraph.

No. 2. A new section 2a is added to read as follows:

“Sec. 2a. The Procurement Practices Reform Act of 2010, effective April 8, 2011 (D.C. Law 18-371; D.C. Official Code § 2-353.01), is amended as follows:

(a) Paragraph (9) is amended by striking the word “and” at the end.

(b) A new paragraph (9A) is added to read as follows:

“(9A) Beginning, January 1, 2015, has disclosed to the Office of Campaign Finance any contributions made to a political committee, political action committees, or independent expenditure committee in the prior 2-year period.”

Rationale:

This amendment is focused on pay-to-play influence by government contractors and puts a focus on creating greater disclosure. The amendment has two parts. First, it would create a disclosure requirement for recipients of contributions from District government contractors and their controlling ownership. Second, it would require that contractors applying for business with the District disclose contributions they have made to the city’s elected officials and for the Office of Campaign Finance to make public that information. This disclosure will ensure that information is made public and made available to outline contributions from the contractors that also depend on the award and approval by the elected officials and candidates who receive these contributions.

Fiscal Impact:

There is no fiscal impact. Please see attached Fiscal Impact Statement.

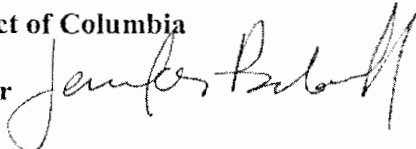
COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Office of the Budget Director



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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

TO: The Honorable Phil Mendelson
Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM: Jennifer Budoff, Budget Director 

DATE: November 4, 2013

SHORT TITLE: "Campaign Finance Reform and Transparency Amendment Act of 2013"

TYPE: Amendment #3

REQUESTED BY: Councilmember Tommy Wells

Conclusion

This amendment will not have an adverse impact on the District's budget and financial plan because there is no cost associated with the amendment.

Background

This amendment would impose a disclosure requirement for political committees, political action committees, and independent expenditure committees receiving contributions from District government contractors and their controlling ownership. The amendment would also require that contractors applying for business with the District disclose contributions they have made to a political committee, political action committee, or independent expenditure committee.

Analysis of Impact on Spending

This amendment will not adversely impact spending.

Analysis of Impact on Revenue

This amendment will not adversely impact revenue.