

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 44th Legislature (1993)

HOUSE BILL NO. 1339

By: Boyd (Laura)

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to charitable organizations; amending 18 O.S. 1991, Sections 552.5 and 552.9, which relate to the Oklahoma Solicitation of Charitable Contributions Act; modifying contents of certain reports; requiring certain disclosures; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 18 O.S. 1991, Section 552.5, is amended to read as follows:

Section 552.5 A. On or before March 31 of each year every charitable organization subject to the provisions of this act which has received contributions during the previous calendar year shall file the following information in the manner hereinbefore provided and on forms to be provided by the Oklahoma Tax Commission:

1. The gross amount of the contributions pledged or collected;
2. The amount thereof given or to be given to the charitable purpose represented;
3. The aggregate amount paid and to be paid for the expenses of such solicitation; ~~and~~

4. The aggregate amount paid to and to be paid to professional fund raisers and solicitors; and

5. The gross amount paid or to be paid for administrative and general expenses.

B. A charitable organization which maintains its books on other than a calendar year basis may upon application to the Oklahoma Tax Commission be permitted to file its report within ninety (90) days after the close of its fiscal year. In addition, that office may require that within ninety (90) days after the close of any special period of solicitation the charitable organization conducting such solicitation shall file a special report of the information specified in this section for such special period of solicitation. Such report when filed shall be a public record in the Commission.

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 18 O.S. 1991, Section 552.9, is amended to read as follows:

Section 552.9 A. Every professional solicitor employed or retained by a professional fund raiser required to register shall, before accepting employment by such professional fund raiser, register with the Oklahoma Tax Commission. Application for such registration shall be in writing, under oath, in the form prescribed by that office, and shall be accompanied by a fee in the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00). Such registration when affected shall be for a period of one (1) year, expiring on the thirty-first day of March, and may be renewed upon the payment of the fee prescribed herein for additional one-year periods.

B. A professional solicitor, prior to orally requesting a contribution and at the same time at which a written request for a contribution is made, shall clearly and conspicuously disclose at the point of solicitation his name as registered with the Oklahoma Tax Commission and the fact that he is a professional solicitor.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective September 1, 1993.

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