

1 AN ACT concerning legal defense funds.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Election Code is amended by adding
5 Section 9-9.10 as follows:

6 (10 ILCS 5/9-9.10 new)

7 Sec. 9-9.10. Legal defense fund contribution disclosure.
8 Each public official and candidate for public office whose
9 political committee files campaign contribution and
10 expenditure reports with the State Board of Elections and
11 each gubernatorial appointee shall disclose contributions
12 received by any legal defense fund he or she establishes for
13 his or her benefit. Public officials and candidates shall
14 disclose legal defense fund contributions on the campaign
15 contribution and expenditure reports filed by their political
16 committees. Gubernatorial appointees shall disclose legal
17 defense fund contributions on forms provided by and filed
18 with the State Board of Elections. Legal defense fund
19 contributions shall be reported at the same times and with
20 the same identification of contributors and amounts as
21 campaign contributions reported under this Article. The State
22 Board of Elections shall adopt rules for the implementation
23 of this Section and public access to disclosures on the same
24 basis as campaign contributions and expenditures reports.

25 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1,
26 2003.