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96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB5711

Introduced 2/9/2010, by Rep. Michael G. Connelly - Mike Fortner

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

10 ILCS 5/9-45 new

Amends the Election Code. Authorizes counties with populations of 500,000 or greater but not greater than 1,000,000 to adopt ordinances imposing and enforcing campaign finance disclosure and reporting requirements and campaign contribution limits with respect to candidates for county office. Requires the ordinances to be consistent with and no less restrictive than the provisions of the Code. Requires that a county that adopts an ordinance file it with the State Board of Elections. Permits the State Board to develop and make available guidelines and models for ordinances. Requires election authorities in a county subject to an ordinance to cooperate in the implementation and enforcement of the ordinance.

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A BILL FOR

1   AN ACT concerning elections.

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 Section

5   9-45 as follows:

6   (10 ILCS 5/9-45 new)

7   Sec. 9-45. County ordinances. A non-home rule county with a

8   population of 500,000 or greater but not greater than 1,000,000

9   by ordinance may impose and enforce (i) campaign finance

10 disclosure and reporting requirements for political committees

11 that accept contributions or make expenditures in support of or

12 in opposition to the nomination or election of candidates for

13 county office and (ii) limits on the contributions those

14 committees may accept in an election cycle. The ordinance may

15 not be inconsistent with the provisions of this Article; its

16 disclosure and reporting requirements may not be less

17 restrictive, and its contribution limits may not be higher,

18 than the requirements and limits established for those

19 committees in this Article.

20   Within 10 days after the adoption of an ordinance

21 authorized by this Section, the county board shall file a copy

22 of the ordinance with the State Board of Elections. The State

23 Board of Elections may develop and make available guidelines

1   and models for county ordinances authorized by this Section.

2   Each election authority within the jurisdiction of a county

3   that has adopted an ordinance authorized by this Section shall

4   cooperate with the county board in the implementation and

5   enforcement of that ordinance.