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HOUSE BILL 119

53RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2017

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AN ACT

RELATING TO ELECTIONS; PROHIBITING CERTAIN CANDIDATES AND STATE OFFICERS FROM SOLICITING OR ACCEPTING CONTRIBUTIONS DURING A PROHIBITED PERIOD.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. Section 1-19-34.1 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1993, Chapter 46, Section 12, as amended) is amended to read:

"1-19-34.1. LEGISLATIVE SESSION FUNDRAISING PROHIBITION.--

A. It is unlawful during the prohibited period for a state legislator or a candidate for state legislator, or any agent on behalf of either, to [~~knowingly~~] solicit or accept a contribution [~~for a political purpose~~]. For purposes of this subsection, "prohibited period" means that period beginning January 1 prior to any regular session of the legislature or,

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1 in the case of a special session, after the proclamation has
2 been issued, and ending on adjournment of the regular or
3 special session.

4 B. It is unlawful during the prohibited period for
5 the governor, or any agent on ~~[his]~~ the governor's behalf, to
6 ~~[knowingly]~~ solicit or accept a contribution ~~[for a political~~
7 ~~purpose]~~. For purposes of this subsection, "prohibited period"
8 means that period beginning January 1 prior to any regular
9 session of the legislature or, in the case of a special
10 session, after the proclamation has been issued, and ending on
11 the twentieth day following the adjournment of the regular or
12 special session."

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