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Short Title: Campaign Integrity Act.

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Sponsors: Representative L. Hall.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO REQUIRE A CANDIDATE TO REFUND CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS AT
3 THE REQUEST OF A DONOR WHEN A CANDIDATE CHANGES POLITICAL
4 PARTY AFFILIATION DURING THE TERM FOR WHICH THE CANDIDATE WAS
5 ELECTED.
6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
7 **SECTION 1.** Part 1 of Article 22A of Chapter 163 of the General Statutes is
8 amended by adding a new section to read:
9 "**§ 163-278.16C. Refund of contributions when candidate changes political party**
10 **affiliation during the term for which the candidate was elected.**
11 Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, if a candidate changes political
12 party affiliation during the term for which the candidate was elected, the candidate shall, upon
13 the request of a donor, refund all contributions to a donor who made contributions to the
14 candidate during a previous election cycle. All of the candidate's campaign funds shall be
15 frozen during the time period a donor has requested a refund of the donor's contribution and
16 until all requests have been refunded. Any subsequent contributions made to a candidate's
17 campaign shall first be used to satisfy all refund requests made pursuant to this section before
18 any contributions may be used for expenditures."
19 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2015, and applies to reports
20 due on or after that date.

