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6 RFD: Fiscal Responsibility and Economic Development

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4     SYNOPSIS:

5                 The Fair Campaign Practices Act requires  
6     political action committees, principal campaign  
7     committees, and in certain circumstances municipal  
8     candidates to file periodic reports and statements of  
9     campaign activity, including details relating to  
10    contributions, expenditures, bank accounts, and loans.  
11                 Prosecutions for violations of the act must be brought  
12    within two years from the date of the violation, except  
13    prosecutions for violating the law governing how excess  
14    campaign contributions may be spent must be brought  
15    within four years from the date of the violation.

16                 This bill would require any committee or other  
17    person required to file a report or statement under the  
18    act to preserve all records for a period of four years  
19    after the filing date of the report or statement to  
20    which the record relates.

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23                             A BILL  
24                             TO BE ENTITLED  
25                             AN ACT

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27                 Relating to campaign finance; to add Section 17-5-6.1  
28    to the Code of Alabama 1975, to require persons that are

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29 required to file any report or statement under the Fair  
30 Campaign Practices Act to preserve relevant records for a  
31 period of four years.

32 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

33           Section 1. Section 17-5-6.1 is added to the Code of  
34 Alabama 1975, to read as follows:

35           §17-5-6.1

36           Each political action committee, principal campaign  
37 committee, or other person required to file any report or  
38 statement under this chapter shall preserve all relevant  
39 records for a period of four years after the filing date of  
40 the report or statement to which the records relate. For  
41 purposes of this section, records include: (i) any record or  
42 account required under this chapter; and (ii) a copy of each  
43 report or statement filed under this chapter and all records  
44 relevant to the report or statement. A record may be destroyed  
45 after the expiration of this four-year period.

46           Section 2. This act shall become effective on October  
47 1, 2026.