1	STATE OF OKLAHOMA
2	1st Session of the 60th Legislature (2025)
3	SENATE BILL 890 By: Daniels
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6	AS INTRODUCED
7	An Act relating to the Local Government Campaign
8	Finance and Financial Disclosure Act; amending 11 O.S. 2021, Sections 56-101, 56-102, 56-104, 56-105,
9	56-106, 56-107, 56-108, 56-109, and 56-110, which relate to the Municipal Campaign Finance and
10	Financial Disclosure Act; modifying definition; transferring certain duties from municipal clerk to
11	the Ethics Commission; amending 19 O.S. 2021, Sections 138.11, 138.12, 138.13, 138.14, 138.15,
12	138.16, 138.17, 138.18, and 138.19, which relate to the County Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act; modifying definition; removing certain
13	requirement for notarization; transferring certain duties from county election board to the Ethics
14	Commission; amending 70 O.S. 2021, Sections 2-110, 2- 111, 2-113, 2-114, 2-115, 2-116, 2-117, 2-118, and 2-
15	119, which relate to the Technology Center District and Independent School District Campaign Finance and
16	Financial Disclosure Act; transferring certain duties from school district clerk to the Ethics Commission;
17	updating statutory references; updating statutory language; and providing an effective date.
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20	BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:
21	SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 11 O.S. 2021, Section 56-101, is
22	amended to read as follows:
23	Section 56-101. Sections $\frac{11}{56-101}$ through $\frac{20}{56-110}$ of this
24 27	act <u>title</u> shall be the provisions of the Local Government Campaign

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Finance and Financial Disclosure Act applicable to municipalities and shall be known as the "Municipal Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act".

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 11 O.S. 2021, Section 56-102, is amended to read as follows:

Section 56-102. A. Definitions of terms used in the Municipal
 Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act shall be the same as
 those terms are defined in Rules of the Ethics Commission
 promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma
 Constitution, unless otherwise provided herein.

B. As used in the Municipal Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act:

13 1. "Campaign committee" means a committee which may be composed 14 of one or more persons the purpose of which is to support the 15 election of a specific candidate to municipal office, whose name as 16 it will appear on the ballot shall appear in the name of the 17 committee;

18 2. "Municipal office" means any elective municipal office 19 established under state or municipal law; and

3. "Municipal political committee" means any committee composed of one or more persons whose purpose includes the election or defeat of one or more candidates for municipal office but which is not required to register with the Ethics Commission or the Federal Election Commission.

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1 SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 11 O.S. 2021, Section 56-104, is
2 amended to read as follows:

Section 56-104. Each campaign committee shall file a statement of organization with the <u>municipal clerk Ethics Commission</u> subject to the same requirements as set forth for candidate committees for state office required to file statements of organization with the Ethics Commission under Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution, including but not limited to time for filing and contents.

10SECTION 4.AMENDATORY11 O.S. 2021, Section 56-105, is11amended to read as follows:

12 Section 56-105. Every municipal political committee shall file 13 a statement of organization with the municipal clerk Ethics 14 Commission subject to the same requirements as set forth for 15 political committees required to file statements of organization 16 with the Ethics Commission under Rules of the Ethics Commission 17 promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma 18 Constitution, including but not limited to time for filing and 19 contents.

SECTION 5. AMENDATORY 11 O.S. 2021, Section 56-106, is amended to read as follows:

Section 56-106. Every campaign committee and every municipal political committee shall file a report of contributions and expenditures with the <u>municipal clerk</u> <u>Ethics Commission</u> subject to

the same requirements as set forth for candidate committees and political action committees, respectively, required to file reports of contributions and expenditures with the Ethics Commission under Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution, including but not limited to time for filing and contents.

7 SECTION 6. AMENDATORY 11 O.S. 2021, Section 56-107, is
8 amended to read as follows:

9 Section 56-107. Statements of organization and reports of 10 contributions and expenditures required to be filed with the 11 municipal clerk Ethics Commission under the Municipal Campaign 12 Finance and Financial Disclosure Act shall be public records. The 13 municipal clerk Ethics Commission shall maintain statements of 14 organization and reports of contributions and expenditures for four 15 (4) years after the date on which they are filed, if not posted on 16 the municipality's Ethics Commission website as provided herein, at 17 which time the documents may be destroyed or retained subject to the 18 discretion of the municipal clerk Ethics Commission. If the 19 municipality in which the statements of organization and reports of 20 contributions and expenditures are filed maintains an Internet 21 website, the municipal clerk The Ethics Commission may post on the 22 website copies of statements of organization and reports of 23 contributions and expenditures.

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1 SECTION 7. AMENDATORY 11 O.S. 2021, Section 56-108, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 Section 56-108. All candidates for municipal office and all 4 elected municipal officers shall be required to file a statement of 5 financial interests with the municipal clerk Ethics Commission 6 subject to the same requirements as set forth for candidates for 7 state office required to file statements of financial interests with 8 the Ethics Commission under Rules of the Ethics Commission 9 promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma 10 Constitution, including but not limited to time for filing and 11 contents.

SECTION 8. AMENDATORY 11 O.S. 2021, Section 56-109, is amended to read as follows:

14 Section 56-109. Statements of financial interests required to 15 be filed with the municipal clerk Ethics Commission under the 16 Municipal Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act shall be 17 public records. The municipal clerk Ethics Commission shall 18 maintain statements of financial interests for four (4) years after 19 the date on which they are filed, if not posted on the 20 municipality's Ethics Commission's website as provided herein, at 21 which time the documents may be destroyed or retained subject to the 22 discretion of the municipal clerk Ethics Commission. If the 23 municipality in which the statements of financial interests are 24 filed maintains an Internet website, the municipal clerk The Ethics _ _

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¹ <u>Commission</u> may post on the website copies of statements of financial ² interests.

³ SECTION 9. AMENDATORY 11 O.S. 2021, Section 56-110, is ⁴ amended to read as follows:

5 Section 56-110. The Municipal Campaign Finance and Financial 6 Disclosure Act shall be enforced by the Ethics Commission in the 7 same manner as Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant 8 to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution are 9 enforced, including but not limited to acceptance of complaints, 10 civil prosecutions, settlement agreements and any other compliance 11 practices or requirements. Complaints may be received by the Ethics 12 Commission alleging filing of statements or reports required to be 13 filed under the Municipal Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure 14 Act later than the prescribed time for filing. Such complaints 15 shall be in the same form as other complaints made according to the 16 Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of 17 Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution. Upon receipt of such 18 complaints of late filing, the Ethics Commission shall investigate 19 whether the allegation or allegations are true and, if so, shall 20 assess a late filing penalty of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per 21 day, not to exceed a maximum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for 22 the filing of any statement or report. If the Ethics Commission 23 determines the allegation or allegations are not true, it shall take 24 no further action. Persons assessed a late filing fee may protest _ _

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¹ the assessment subject to provisions of the Administrative
² Procedures Act.

³ SECTION 10. AMENDATORY 19 O.S. 2021, Section 138.11, is ⁴ amended to read as follows:

Section 138.11. Sections 2 <u>138.11</u> through <u>10 <u>138.19</u> of this act
<u>title</u> shall be the provisions of the Local Government Campaign
Finance and Financial Disclosure Act applicable to counties and
shall be known as the "County Campaign Finance and Financial
Disclosure Act".
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SECTION 11. AMENDATORY 19 O.S. 2021, Section 138.12, is amended to read as follows:

Section 138.12. A. Definitions of terms used in the County Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act shall be the same as those terms are defined in Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution, unless otherwise provided herein.

B. As used in the County Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act:

19 1. "Campaign committee" means a committee which may be composed 20 of one or more persons the purpose of which is to support the 21 election of a specific candidate to county office, whose name as it 22 will appear on the ballot shall appear in the name of the committee;

23 2. "County office" means any elective county office for which
24 Declarations of Candidacy are filed with the secretary of the county

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1 election board as required by Section 5-103 of Title 26 of the
2 Oklahoma Statutes; and

3 3. "County political committee" means any committee composed of 4 one or more persons whose purpose includes the election or defeat of 5 one or more candidates for county office but which is not required 6 to register with the Ethics Commission or the Federal Election 7 Commission.

⁸ SECTION 12. AMENDATORY 19 O.S. 2021, Section 138.13, is ⁹ amended to read as follows:

10 Section 138.13. Each campaign committee shall file a notarized 11 statement of organization with the county election board Ethics 12 Commission subject to the same requirements as set forth for 13 candidate committees for state office to file statements of 14 organization with the Ethics Commission under Rules of the Ethics 15 Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the 16 Oklahoma Constitution, including but not limited to time for filing 17 and contents, except as otherwise provided in the County Campaign 18 Finance and Financial Disclosure Act. The statement of organization 19 shall be accompanied by a check drawn upon the campaign committee's 20 account in the amount of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) as a nonrefundable 21 processing fee to be deposited in the County Election Board Special 22 Depository Account. Expenditures from such fees may be made by the 23 secretary of the county election board for any lawful purpose.

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SECTION 13. AMENDATORY 19 O.S. 2021, Section 138.14, is amended to read as follows:

3 Section 138.14. Every county political committee shall file a 4 notarized statement of organization with the county election board 5 Ethics Commission subject to the same requirements as set forth for 6 political committees required to file statements of organization 7 with the Ethics Commission under Rules of the Ethics Commission 8 promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma 9 Constitution, including but not limited to time for filing and 10 contents.

SECTION 14. AMENDATORY 19 O.S. 2021, Section 138.15, is amended to read as follows:

13 Section 138.15. Every campaign committee and every county 14 political committee shall file reports of contributions and 15 expenditures with the county election board Ethics Commission 16 subject to the same requirements as set forth for reports of 17 contributions and expenditures filed with the Ethics Commission 18 under Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 19 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution, including but not 20 limited to time for filing and contents.

SECTION 15. AMENDATORY 19 O.S. 2021, Section 138.16, is amended to read as follows:

Section 138.16. Statements of organization and reports of contributions and expenditures required under the County Campaign

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1 Finance and Financial Disclosure Act shall be public records. The 2 county election board Ethics Commission shall maintain statements of 3 organization and reports of contributions and expenditures for four 4 (4) years after the date on which they are filed or prepared, if not 5 posted on the county's Ethics Commission's website as provided 6 herein, at which time the documents may be destroyed or retained at 7 the discretion of the county election board Ethics Commission. Ŧŧ 8 the county in which the statements of organization are filed 9 maintains an Internet website, the county election board The Ethics 10 Commission may post on the website copies of statements of 11 organization and reports of contributions and expenditures. 12 SECTION 16. AMENDATORY 19 O.S. 2021, Section 138.17, is 13 amended to read as follows: 14 Section 138.17. All candidates for county office and all 15 elected county officers shall be required to file a notarized 16 statement of financial interests with the county election board 17 Ethics Commission subject to the same requirements as set forth for 18 statements of financial interests filed with the Ethics Commission 19 under Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 20 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution. 21 SECTION 17. 19 O.S. 2021, Section 138.18, is AMENDATORY 22 amended to read as follows:

Section 138.18. Statements of financial interests required under the County Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act shall

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¹ be public records. The county election board <u>Ethics Commission</u> ² shall maintain statements of financial interests for four (4) years ³ after the date on which they are filed, at which time the documents ⁴ may be destroyed or retained at the discretion of the county ⁵ election board Ethics Commission.

⁶ SECTION 18. AMENDATORY 19 O.S. 2021, Section 138.19, is
⁷ amended to read as follows:

8 Section 138.19. The County Campaign Finance and Financial 9 Disclosure Act shall be enforced by the Ethics Commission in the 10 same manner as Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant 11 to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution are 12 enforced, including but not limited to acceptance of complaints, 13 civil prosecutions, settlement agreements and any other compliance 14 practices or requirements. Complaints may be received by the Ethics 15 Commission alleging filing of statements required to be filed under 16 the County Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act later than 17 the prescribed time for filing or failure to produce reports 18 required to be available for public inspection and copying. Such 19 complaints shall be in the same form as other complaints made 20 according to the Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant 21 to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution. Upon 22 receipt of such complaints, the Ethics Commission shall investigate 23 whether the allegation or allegations are true and, if so, shall 24 assess a late reporting penalty of up to One Hundred Dollars _ _

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(\$100.00) per day, not to exceed a maximum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for the filing of any statement or report. If the Ethics Commission determines the allegation or allegations are not true, it shall take no further action. Persons assessed a late reporting penalty may protest the assessment subject to provisions of the Administrative Procedures Act.

⁷ SECTION 19. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 2-110, is ⁸ amended to read as follows:

9 Section 2-110. Sections 21 2-110 through 30 2-119 of this act
10 <u>title</u> shall be the provisions of the Local Government Campaign
11 Finance and Financial Disclosure Act applicable to technology center
12 districts and independent school districts and shall be known as the
13 "Technology Center District and Independent School District Campaign
14 Finance and Financial Disclosure Act".

SECTION 20. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 2-111, is amended to read as follows:

Section 2-111. A. Definitions of terms used in the Technology Center District and Independent School District Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act shall be the same as those terms are defined in Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution, unless otherwise provided herein.

B. As used in the Technology Center District and Independent
 School District Campaign Finance and Disclosure Act:

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1 1. "Campaign committee" means a committee which may be composed 2 of one or more persons the purpose of which is to support the 3 election of a specific candidate to school district office, whose 4 name as it will appear on the ballot shall appear in the name of the 5 committee;

6 2. "School district" means a technology center district or an 7 independent school district;

3. "School district office" means any elective school district
 9 office for which Declarations of Candidacy are filed with the
 10 secretary of the county election board as required by Section 13A 11 105 of Title 26 of the Oklahoma Statutes; and

4. "School district political committee" means any committee composed of one or more persons whose purpose includes the election or defeat of one or more candidates for school district office but which is not required to register with the Ethics Commission or the Federal Election Commission.

SECTION 21. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 2-113, is amended to read as follows:

Section 2-113. Each campaign committee shall file a statement of organization with the school district clerk Ethics Commission subject to the same requirements as set forth for candidate committees for state office required to file statements of organization with the Ethics Commission under Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the

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Oklahoma Constitution, including but not limited to time for filing and contents.

³ SECTION 22. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 2-114, is ⁴ amended to read as follows:

5 Section 2-114. Every school district political committee shall 6 file a statement of organization with the school district clerk 7 Ethics Commission subject to the same requirements as set forth for 8 political committees required to file statements of organization 9 with the Ethics Commission under Rules of the Ethics Commission 10 promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma 11 Constitution, including but not limited to time for filing and 12 contents.

SECTION 23. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 2-115, is amended to read as follows:

15 Section 2-115. Every campaign committee and every school 16 district political committee shall file a report of contributions 17 and expenditures with the school district clerk Ethics Commission 18 subject to the same requirements as set forth for candidate 19 committees and political action committees, respectively, required 20 to file reports of contributions and expenditures with the Ethics 21 Commission under Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant 22 to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution, including 23 but not limited to time for filing and contents.

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1 SECTION 24. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 2-116, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 Section 2-116. Statements of organization and reports of 4 contributions and expenditures required to be filed with the school 5 district clerk Ethics Commission under the Technology Center 6 District and Independent School District Campaign Finance and 7 Financial Disclosure Act shall be public records. The school 8 district clerk Ethics Commission shall maintain statements of 9 organization and reports of contributions and expenditures for four 10 (4) years after the date on which they are filed, if not posted on 11 the school district's website as provided herein, at which time the 12 documents may be destroyed or retained subject to the discretion of 13 the school district clerk Ethics Commission. If the school district 14 in which the statements of organization and reports of contributions 15 and expenditures are filed maintains an Internet website, the school 16 district clerk The Ethics Commission may post on the website copies 17 of statements of organization and reports of contributions and 18 expenditures.

SECTION 25. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 2-117, is amended to read as follows:

Section 2-117. All candidates for school district office and all elected school district officers shall be required to file a statement of financial interests with the school district clerk <u>Ethics Commission</u> subject to the same requirements as set forth for

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¹ candidates for state office required to file statements of financial ² interests with the Ethics Commission under Rules of the Ethics ³ Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the ⁴ Oklahoma Constitution, including but not limited to time for filing ⁵ and contents.

6 SECTION 26. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 2-118, is
7 amended to read as follows:

8 Section 2-118. Statements of financial interests required to be 9 filed with the school district clerk Ethics Commission under the 10 Technology Center District and Independent School District Campaign 11 Finance and Financial Disclosure Act shall be public records. The 12 school district clerk Ethics Commission shall maintain statements of 13 financial interests for four (4) years after the date on which they 14 are filed, if not posted on the school district's Ethics 15 Commission's website as provided herein, at which time the documents 16 may be destroyed or retained subject to the discretion of the school 17 district clerk. If the school district in which the statements of 18 financial interests are filed maintains an Internet website, the 19 school district clerk Ethics Commission may post on the website 20 copies of statements of financial interests.

SECTION 27. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 2-119, is amended to read as follows:

Section 2-119. The Technology Center District and Independent School District Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act shall

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1 be enforced by the Ethics Commission in the same manner as Rules of 2 the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article 3 XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution are enforced, including but not 4 limited to acceptance of complaints, civil prosecutions, settlement 5 agreements and any other compliance practices or requirements. 6 Complaints may be received by the Ethics Commission alleging filing 7 of statements or reports required to be filed under the Technology 8 Center District and Independent School District Campaign Finance and 9 Disclosure Act later than the prescribed time for filing. Such 10 complaints shall be in the same form as other complaints made 11 according to the Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant 12 to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution. Upon 13 receipt of such complaints of late filing, the Ethics Commission 14 shall investigate whether the allegation or allegations are true 15 and, if so, shall assess a late filing penalty of One Hundred 16 Dollars (\$100.00) per day, not to exceed a maximum of One Thousand 17 Dollars (\$1,000.00) for the filing of any statement or report. Ιf 18 the Ethics Commission determines the allegation or allegations are 19 not true, it shall take no further action. Persons assessed a late 20 filing fee may protest the assessment subject to provisions of the 21 Administrative Procedures Act. 22 SECTION 28. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.

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