By: Representative Gunn

To: Apportionment and Elections

## COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 1365

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT ANY AGENCY OR STATE OR LOCAL OFFICIAL FROM SOLICITING, ACCEPTING OR OTHERWISE USING PRIVATE FUNDS FOR ANY ELECTION-RELATED EXPENSES OR VOTER EDUCATION, VOTER OUTREACH OR VOTER REGISTRATION PROGRAMS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

6 **SECTION 1.** No agency or state or local official responsible

7 for conducting elections may solicit, accept, use or dispose of

8 any donation in the form of money, grants, property or personal

9 services from an individual or a nongovernmental entity for the

10 purpose of funding election-related expenses or voter education,

11 voter outreach or voter registration programs. This section shall

12 not apply to any executive committee or political party during the

conduct of a primary election. This section does not prohibit the

14 donation and acceptance of space to be used for a polling place.

15 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from

16 and after July 1, 2022.

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