

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 865 (HB 1036)

2026 Regular Session

Beaulieu

For purposes of the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act, existing law (R.S. 18:1483(6)) defines "committee" as any legal entity, including an association or political party, or other group of two or more persons, other than a husband and wife, which receives or anticipates receiving contributions, makes or anticipates making expenditures, and has the *primary purpose* of making contributions to or expenditures to or on behalf of any state or local elected official, candidate, campaign, or other committee. Provides that an entity shall not be a committee if the entity makes expenditures for the purpose of supporting or opposing candidates or recalls using only the entity's general revenues and does not receive contributions for the purpose of supporting or opposing candidates or recalls.

Prior law (R.S. 18:1483(26)) defined "primary purpose" as the purpose of making contributions or expenditures that constitute the preponderance of the association, political party, or group's spending during a calendar year.

New law instead defines "primary purpose" as the purpose of making contributions or expenditures that constitute more than 50% of an entity's or group's spending during a calendar year.

Effective August 1, 2026.

(Amends R.S. 18:1483(26))