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HOUSE BILL ***195***

AN ACT relative to the definition of political advocacy organization.

SPONSORS: Rep. Lane, Merr. 16

COMMITTEE: Election Law

ANALYSIS

This bill modifies the definition of political advocacy organization for purposes of political expenditure and contribution laws.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
 Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struck through.]~~
 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Three

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Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 118:1 Political Action Committee; Definitions. RSA 664:2, XXII is repealed and reenacted to read as
2 follows:

3 XXII. "Political advocacy organization" means any entity that makes expenditures of \$2,500 or
4 more in a calendar year for communication that is functionally equivalent to express advocacy such that,
5 when taken as a whole, such communication is likely to be interpreted, all or in part, by a reasonable
6 person as advocating the election or defeat of a candidate or candidates, or the success or defeat of a
7 measure or measures, taking into account whether the communication involved mentions a candidacy, a
8 political party, or takes a position on a candidate's character, qualifications, or fitness for office.

118:2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

Approved: June 30, 2023
Effective Date: August 29, 2023