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1 Page 1-line 1 After "groups" insert ", political action
2 committees and organizations".
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4 Page 1-line 5 After "group" insert ", political action
5 committee or organization".
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7 Page 1-line 12 After "22-24-202" insert "and 22-25-116";
8 delete "is" and insert "are".
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10 Page 4-after line 2 Insert:

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12 **"22-25-116. Prohibition of foreign funding influencing**
13 **statewide ballot measures.**
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15 (a) As used in this section:

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17 (i) "Foreign national" means as defined in 52 U.S.C. §
18 30121(b);

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20 (ii) "Prohibited source" means contributions from or
21 expenditures by a foreign national.
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23 (b) No foreign national shall direct, control or otherwise
24 directly or indirectly participate in the decision making of any
25 political action committee or organization supporting or opposing
26 any statewide initiative or referendum petition drive. No foreign
27 national shall solicit, directly or indirectly, the making of a
28 donation, contribution or expenditure by another person to
29 influence a ballot initiative.
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31 (c) Each political action committee or organization
32 supporting or opposing any statewide initiative or referendum that
33 is required to file reports with the secretary of state under W.S.
34 22-25-107(a)(vii) shall file an accompanying certification
35 regarding funding from prohibited sources as provided in this
36 paragraph and each itemized statement of contributions and
37 expenditures required by W.S. 22-25-106(b) or (h). The
38 certification shall include the following statements:
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40 (i) That no expenditure of the political action
41 committee or organization was funded by a prohibited source;
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43 (ii) That the political action committee or
44 organization shall not knowingly receive, solicit or accept

1 contributions or expenditures from a prohibited source in any
2 manner;

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4 (iii) That the political action committee or
5 organization will keep records of contributions and expenditures
6 for a period of not less than five (5) years to enable the
7 enforcement of this section.

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9 (d) For each contribution to a political action committee or
10 organization supporting or opposing any statewide initiative or
11 referendum petition that is required to file reports with the
12 secretary of state under W.S. 22-25-107(a)(vii), before accepting
13 the contribution the group shall obtain affirmation from the donor
14 that the donor is not a foreign national and that the donor has
15 not accepted more than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00)
16 in aggregate from prohibited sources in the immediately preceding
17 four (4) year period.

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19 (e) The secretary of state may bring a civil action to
20 enforce the provisions of this section. A violation of this section
21 is subject to a civil penalty of up to twice the amount of any
22 prohibited contribution or expenditure. The secretary of state may
23 obtain injunctive relief from a court of competent jurisdiction to
24 prevent further violations of this section.". WEBBER