

## Summary of the key requirements for organisations caught by this Bill

	Political Campaigner	Political Campaigner registered as a charity with the ACNC or union under the <i>Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009</i>	Third Party Campaigner	Associated Entity
Register with the Electoral Commissioner within 28 days of becoming required to register	✓	✓	✓	✓
Nominate a “financial controller” who has certain obligations, for example lodging annual returns	✓	✓	✓	✓
Set up a separate bank account for money received by non “allowable donors” and make sure that money is not spent on political expenditure		✓		
Ensure they do not accept a donation over \$250 (or amounting to a total of \$250 across the financial year) from a non “allowable donor” in a financial year	✓			
Establish that a donor is an “allowable donor” each time they receive a donation of \$250 (or amounting to a total of \$250 across the financial year) by obtaining a statutory declaration from the donor	✓			
Ensure they do not use donations over \$250 (or amounting to a total of \$250 across the financial year) from non “allowable donors” for “political purposes” during the financial year		✓	✓	

<p>Ensure they do not accept a donation from a non “allowable donor” if they incur more “political expenditure” during a financial year than their “allowable amount” (that is, their total income for the year minus any loans or gifts from non-allowable donors)</p>		✓	✓	
<p>Ensure they do not accept a donation from a non “allowable donor” if the amount they give to political parties or political campaigners is more than their “allowable amount” (that is, their total income for the year minus any loans or gifts from non-allowable donors)</p>		✓	✓	
<p>Provide returns to the Electoral Commission each financial year setting out the details relating to the amounts received, paid or incurred by the organisation, the details of any senior staff and whether they have memberships with any political party and any discretionary benefits received from the Commonwealth or a State or Territory government (the returns will be made publically available) * There are also additional obligations in relation to associated entities dealing with donations made by them to a political party). Associated entities are not required to provide a return if they have already done so as a “political campaigner”.</p>	✓	✓		✓
<p>Provide returns to the Electoral Commission each financial year setting out the expenditure, the details of any senior staff and whether they have memberships with any political party and the discretionary benefits received from the Commonwealth or a State or Territory government (the returns will be made publically available) *There are additional obligations if there</p>			✓	

were gifts made of more than \$13, 500 by one donor for “political expenditure” during the financial year				
<b>Provide the Electoral Commission with a signed statement by the “financial controller” indicating that the organisation has complied with certain provisions during the financial year</b>		✓	✓	
<b>Have an audit undertaken by an auditor (conducted in accordance with auditing standards) and produce a report containing prescribed information</b>	✓	✓		