



General Assembly

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Amendment

LCO No. 3283

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To: Subst. House Bill No. 5102

File No. 475

Cal. No. 333

"An Act Proposing Comprehensive Campaign Finance Reform For State-Wide Constitutional Offices And General Assembly Offices."

1 Strike out everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. Subsections (d) and (e) of section 9-333o of the general
4 statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

5 (d) A political committee organized by a business entity shall not
6 make a contribution or contributions to or for the benefit of any
7 candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary or any candidate's
8 campaign for election to the office of: (1) Governor; [, in excess of five
9 thousand dollars;] (2) Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State,
10 Treasurer, Comptroller or Attorney General; [, in excess of three
11 thousand dollars;] (3) sheriff; [, in excess of two thousand dollars;] (4)
12 state senator, probate judge or chief executive officer of a town, city or
13 borough; [, in excess of one thousand dollars;] (5) state representative;
14 [, in excess of five hundred dollars;] or (6) any other office of a

15 municipality not included in subdivision (4) of this subsection. [in
16 excess of two hundred fifty dollars; or an exploratory committee, in
17 excess of two hundred fifty dollars. The limits imposed by this
18 subsection shall apply separately to primaries and elections and
19 contributions by any such committee to candidates designated in this
20 subsection shall not exceed one hundred thousand dollars in the
21 aggregate for any single election and primary preliminary thereto.
22 Contributions to such committees shall also be subject to the
23 provisions of section 9-333t in the case of committees formed for
24 ongoing political activity or section 9-333u in the case of committees
25 formed for a single election or primary.]

26 (e) A political committee organized by a business entity may make
27 unlimited contributions to, or for the benefit of, another political
28 committee organized by a business entity or to a party committee. No
29 political committee organized by a business entity shall make a
30 contribution to an exploratory committee. [in excess of two hundred
31 fifty dollars.] No such political committee shall make a contribution or
32 contributions in excess of two thousand dollars to any other kind of
33 political committee, in any one calendar year if organized for ongoing
34 political activities, or if formed for a single primary, election or
35 referendum, with respect to such primary, election or referendum.

36 Sec. 2. Section 9-333q of the general statutes is repealed and the
37 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

38 (a) No political committee established by an organization shall
39 make a contribution or contributions to, or for the benefit of, any
40 candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary or for election to the
41 office of: (1) Governor; [in excess of two thousand five hundred
42 dollars;] (2) Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, Treasurer,
43 Comptroller or Attorney General; [in excess of one thousand five
44 hundred dollars;] (3) sheriff or chief executive officer of a town, city or
45 borough; [in excess of one thousand dollars;] (4) state senator or
46 probate judge; [in excess of five hundred dollars;] or (5) state
47 representative or any other office of a municipality not previously

48 included in this subsection. [, in excess of two hundred fifty dollars.]

49 (b) No such committee shall make a contribution or contributions to,
50 or for the benefit of, an exploratory committee. [, in excess of two
51 hundred fifty dollars.] Any such committee may make unlimited
52 contributions to a political committee formed solely to aid or promote
53 the success or defeat of a referendum question.

54 [(c) The limits imposed by subsection (a) of this section shall apply
55 separately to primaries and elections and no such committee shall
56 make contributions to the candidates designated in this section which
57 in the aggregate exceed fifty thousand dollars for any single election
58 and primary preliminary thereto.]

59 [(d)] (c) No political committee established by an organization shall
60 make contributions in any one calendar year to, or for the benefit of, (1)
61 the state central committee of a political party, in excess of five
62 thousand dollars; (2) a town committee, in excess of one thousand
63 dollars; or (3) any political committee, other than an exploratory
64 committee or a committee formed solely to aid or promote the success
65 or defeat of a referendum question, in excess of two thousand dollars.

66 [(e)] (d) No political committee established by an organization shall
67 make contributions to the committees designated in subsection [(d)] (c)
68 of this section, which in the aggregate exceed fifteen thousand dollars
69 in any one calendar year. Contributions to a political committee
70 established by an organization shall also be subject to the provisions of
71 section 9-333t in the case of a committee formed for ongoing political
72 activity or section 9-333u in the case of a committee formed for a single
73 election or primary."