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Amendment

LCO No. 5627

Offered by:

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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 1219

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"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. Subsection (d) of section 9-333o of the general statutes is
4 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof: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] two thousand five hundred dollars; (2) Lieutenant
10 Governor, Secretary of the State, Treasurer, Comptroller or Attorney
11 General, in excess of [three thousand] one thousand five hundred
12 dollars; (3) chief executive officer of a town, city or borough, in excess
13 of one thousand dollars; (4) state senator [,] or probate judge, [or chief
14 executive officer of a town, city or borough, in excess of one thousand

15 dollars; (4)] in excess of five hundred dollars; or (5) state representative
16 or any other office of a municipality not included in subdivision (3) of
17 this subsection, in excess of [five hundred] two hundred fifty dollars;
18 [or (5) any other office of a municipality not included in subdivision (3)
19 of this subsection, in excess of two hundred fifty dollars;] or an
20 exploratory committee, in excess of two hundred fifty dollars. The
21 limits imposed by this subsection shall apply separately to primaries
22 and elections. [and contributions by any such committee to candidates
23 designated in this subsection shall not exceed one hundred thousand
24 dollars in the aggregate for any single election and primary
25 preliminary thereto.] Contributions to such committees shall also be
26 subject to the provisions of section 9-333t, as amended by this act, in
27 the case of committees formed for ongoing political activity or section
28 9-333u, as amended by this act, in the case of committees formed for a
29 single election or primary.

30 Sec. 2. Subsection (a) of section 9-333t of the general statutes is
31 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

32 (a) A political committee organized for ongoing political activities
33 may make unlimited contributions to, or for the benefit of, a party
34 committee; any national committee of a political party; [a candidate
35 committee;] or a committee of a candidate for federal or out-of-state
36 office. No such committee shall make a contribution or contributions to
37 or for the benefit of any candidate's campaign for nomination at a
38 primary or any candidate's campaign for election to the office of: (1)
39 Governor, in excess of two thousand five hundred dollars; (2)
40 Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, Treasurer, Comptroller or
41 Attorney General, in excess of one thousand five hundred dollars; (3)
42 chief executive officer of a town, city or borough, in excess of one
43 thousand dollars; (4) state senator or probate judge, in excess of five
44 hundred dollars; (5) state representative or any other office of a
45 municipality not included in subdivision (3) of this subsection, in
46 excess of two hundred fifty dollars. No such political committee shall
47 make a contribution or contributions in excess of two thousand dollars
48 to another political committee in any calendar year except that a

49 political committee organized by a business entity may make
50 unlimited contributions to, or for the benefit of, another political
51 committee organized by a business entity. The limits imposed by this
52 subsection shall apply separately to primaries. No political committee
53 organized for ongoing political activities shall make a contribution in
54 excess of two hundred fifty dollars to an exploratory committee. If
55 such an ongoing committee is established by an organization or a
56 business entity, its contributions shall be subject to the limits imposed
57 by sections 9-333o to 9-333q, inclusive, as amended by this act. A
58 political committee organized for ongoing political activities may
59 make contributions to a charitable organization which is a tax-exempt
60 organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as
61 from time to time amended, or make memorial contributions.

62 Sec. 3. Subsection (a) of section 9-333u of the general statutes is
63 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

64 (a) A political committee established for a single primary or election
65 may make unlimited contributions to, or for the benefit of, a party
66 committee [or a candidate committee,] but no such committee shall
67 make a contribution or contributions to or for the benefit of any
68 candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary or any candidate's
69 campaign for election to the office of: (1) Governor, in excess of two
70 thousand five hundred dollars; (2) Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of
71 the State, Treasurer, Comptroller or Attorney General, in excess of one
72 thousand five hundred dollars; (3) chief executive officer of a town,
73 city or borough, in excess of one thousand dollars; (4) state senator or
74 probate judge, in excess of five hundred dollars; or (5) state
75 representative or any other office of a municipality not included in
76 subdivision (3) of this subsection, in excess of two hundred fifty
77 dollars. No political committee shall make contributions to a national
78 committee, or a committee of a candidate for federal or out-of-state
79 office. If such a political committee is established by an organization or
80 a business entity, its contributions shall also be subject to the
81 limitations imposed by sections 9-333o to 9-333q, inclusive, as
82 amended by this act. The limits imposed by this subsection shall apply

83 separately to primaries. No political committee formed for a single
84 election or primary shall, with respect to such election or primary
85 make a contribution or contributions in excess of two thousand dollars
86 to another political committee, provided no such political committee
87 shall make a contribution in excess of two hundred fifty dollars to an
88 exploratory committee.

89 Sec. 4. This act shall take effect January 1, 2002."