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Introduced by:
(GAE)

AN ACT PROPOSING COMPREHENSIVE CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM FOR STATE-WIDE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention,*
2 *primary and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter*)
3 As used in sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 22, inclusive, and 36 and 37 of
4 this act:

5 (1) "Commission" means the State Elections Enforcement
6 Commission.

7 (2) "Convention" means "convention", as defined in section 9-372 of
8 the general statutes.

9 (3) "Depository account" means the single checking account at the
10 depository institution designated as the depository for the candidate
11 committee's moneys in accordance with the provisions of subsection
12 (a) of section 9-333f of the general statutes.

13 (4) "Elector" means any person possessing the qualifications

14 prescribed by the constitution and duly admitted to, and entitled to
15 exercise, the privileges of an elector in a town.

16 (5) "Fund" means the Citizens' Election Fund established in section 2
17 of this act.

18 (6) "Lobbyist" has the same meaning as "lobbyist", as defined in
19 section 1-91 of the general statutes.

20 (7) "Major party" means "major party", as defined in section 9-372 of
21 the general statutes.

22 (8) "Minor party" means "minor party" as defined in section 9-372 of
23 the general statutes.

24 (9) "Permitted expenditure amount" means the aggregate of (A) the
25 amount of qualifying contributions permitted in section 9 of this act,
26 (B) the applicable amount of contributions that a candidate committee
27 receives from party committees in accordance with the provisions of
28 section 9-333s of the general statutes, as amended by this act, and (C)
29 the amount of grants that a candidate committee receives from the
30 Citizens' Election Fund.

31 (10) "Qualified candidate committee" means a candidate committee
32 (A) established to aid or promote the success of any candidate for
33 nomination or election on or after January 1, 2006, to a state office, and
34 (B) which is approved by the commission to receive a grant from the
35 Citizens' Election Fund under section 12 of this act.

36 (11) "State office" means the office of Governor, Lieutenant
37 Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer or
38 Secretary of the State.

39 (12) "State office election" means the election for state offices held on
40 the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November in every fourth
41 year in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution of
42 Connecticut.

43 (13) "Associated business" has the same meaning as "business with
44 which he is associated", as defined in section 9-333a, of the general
45 statutes, as amended.

46 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention,*
47 *primary and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter*)
48 There is established, within the General Fund, a separate, nonlapsing
49 account to be known as the "Citizens' Election Fund". The fund may
50 contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the fund.
51 Investment earnings credited to the assets of the fund shall become
52 part of the assets of the fund. All moneys deposited in the fund shall
53 be used for the purposes of sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 22, inclusive,
54 and 36 and 37 of this act. The State Elections Enforcement Commission
55 may deduct and retain from the moneys in the fund an amount equal
56 to the costs incurred by the commission in administering the
57 provisions of said sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 22, inclusive, and 36
58 and 37, provided said amount shall not exceed three per cent of the
59 moneys deposited in the fund in any fiscal year. Any portion of said
60 three per cent allocation which exceeds said costs incurred by the
61 commission in any fiscal year shall continue to be available for any
62 said costs incurred by the commission in subsequent fiscal years.

63 Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2002, and applicable to taxable years*
64 *commencing on or after January 1, 2002*) (a) (1) Any taxpayer filing a
65 return under chapter 229 of the general statutes for taxable years
66 commencing on or after January 1, 2002, may contribute all or part of a
67 refund under said chapter 229 to the Citizens' Election Fund
68 established in section 2 of this act, by indicating on the tax return the
69 amount to be contributed to the fund. Subject to the limit set forth in
70 subdivision (4) of this subsection, the maximum amount of any such
71 contribution shall be five thousand dollars per calendar year, except
72 that, in the case of a husband and wife filing a joint tax return, the
73 maximum amount of any such contribution shall be ten thousand
74 dollars per calendar year.

75 (2) Any taxpayer filing a return under chapter 229 of the general
76 statutes for taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2002,
77 whose income tax liability for the taxable year, before applying any
78 credit under section 12-704c of the general statutes, is five dollars or
79 more, may designate that five dollars of such tax liability shall be paid
80 over to the fund by so indicating on the tax return. In the case of a
81 husband and wife filing a joint return with an income tax liability of
82 ten dollars or more, each spouse may designate that five dollars of
83 such tax liability shall be paid over to the fund by so indicating on the
84 tax return. Any designation made pursuant to this subdivision shall
85 not increase the taxpayer's income tax liability.

86 (3) Any taxpayer filing a return under chapter 229 of the general
87 statutes may contribute an additional amount to the Citizens' Election
88 Fund established in section 2 of this act, by indicating on the tax return
89 the amount to be contributed to the fund. Subject to the limit set forth
90 in subdivision (4) of this subsection, the maximum amount of any such
91 contribution shall be five thousand dollars per calendar year, except
92 that, in the case of a husband and wife filing a joint tax return, the
93 maximum amount of any such contribution shall be ten thousand
94 dollars per calendar year. Any contribution made pursuant to this
95 subdivision shall be in addition to the amount of tax reported to be
96 due on such return and shall be paid at the same time as the tax due on
97 such return is paid and in the manner prescribed by the Commissioner
98 of Revenue Services.

99 (4) The total combined contributions that a taxpayer may make
100 under subdivisions (1) and (3) of this subsection shall be five thousand
101 dollars per calendar year, except that, in the case of a husband and
102 wife filing a joint tax return, the total combined contributions that such
103 husband and wife may make under subdivisions (1) and (3) of this
104 subsection shall be ten thousand dollars per calendar year.

105 (b) A contribution or designation made pursuant to this section shall
106 be irrevocable upon the filing of the return. A taxpayer making a

107 contribution or designation pursuant to this subsection shall so
108 indicate on the tax return in a manner provided for by the
109 Commissioner of Revenue Services pursuant to subsection (c) of this
110 section.

111 (c) The Commissioner of Revenue Services shall revise the income
112 tax return form to implement the provisions of subsection (a) of this
113 section. Such form shall include (1) a space on the return in which
114 taxpayers may indicate their intention to make a contribution or
115 designation in accordance with this section, and (2) instructions for
116 payment of any contribution under subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of
117 this section. The commissioner shall include in the instructions
118 accompanying the tax return a description of the purposes for which
119 the Citizens' Election Fund was established.

120 (d) A contribution of all or part of a refund shall be made in the full
121 amount indicated if the refund found due the taxpayer upon the initial
122 processing of the return, and after any deductions required by chapter
123 229 of the general statutes, is greater than or equal to the indicated
124 contribution. If the refund due, as determined upon initial processing,
125 and after any deductions required by said chapter 229, is less than the
126 indicated contribution, the contribution shall be made in the full
127 amount of the refund. The Commissioner of Revenue Services shall
128 subtract the amount of any contribution of all or part of a refund from
129 the amount of the refund initially found due the taxpayer and shall
130 certify (1) the amount of the refund initially found due the taxpayer,
131 (2) the amount of any such contribution, and (3) the amount of the
132 difference to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and
133 the State Treasurer for payment to the taxpayer in accordance with
134 said chapter 229. For the purposes of any subsequent determination of
135 the taxpayer's net tax payment, such contribution shall be considered a
136 part of the refund paid to the taxpayer.

137 (e) The Commissioner of Revenue Services, after notification of and
138 approval by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management,

139 may deduct and retain from the moneys collected under subsections
140 (a) to (d), inclusive, of this section an amount equal to the costs of
141 administering this section, but not to exceed four per cent of such
142 moneys collected in any fiscal year. The Commissioner of Revenue
143 Services shall deposit the remaining moneys collected in the Citizens'
144 Election Fund.

145 (f) An amount equal to the amount contributed by a taxpayer under
146 subdivisions (1) and (3) of subsection (a) of this section with respect to
147 the preceding taxable year of the taxpayer shall be subtracted from the
148 adjusted gross income of the taxpayer for the purposes of determining
149 the Connecticut adjusted gross income of the taxpayer in section 12-
150 701 of the general statutes, as amended.

151 Sec. 4. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2002, and applicable to taxable years*
152 *commencing on or after January 1, 2002*) (a) (1) Any taxpayer filing a
153 return under chapter 208 of the general statutes for taxable years
154 commencing on or after January 1, 2002, may contribute all or part of a
155 refund under said chapter 208 to the Citizens' Election Fund
156 established in section 2 of this act, by indicating on the tax return the
157 amount to be contributed to the fund. Subject to the limit set forth in
158 subdivision (4) of this subsection, the maximum amount of any such
159 contribution shall be ten thousand dollars per calendar year.

160 (2) Any taxpayer filing a return under chapter 208 of the general
161 statutes for taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2002,
162 whose income tax liability for the taxable year, before applying any
163 credits under chapter 208 of the general statutes, is five dollars or
164 more, may designate that two hundred dollars of such tax liability or,
165 if such tax liability is less than two hundred dollars, the full amount of
166 such tax liability, shall be paid over to the Citizens' Election Fund
167 established in section 2 of this act, by so indicating on the tax return.
168 Any designation made pursuant to this subdivision shall not increase
169 the taxpayer's income tax liability.

170 (3) Any taxpayer filing a return under chapter 208 of the general

171 statutes may contribute an additional amount to the Citizens' Election
172 Fund established in section 2 of this act, by indicating on the tax return
173 the amount to be contributed to the fund. Subject to the limit set forth
174 in subdivision (4) of this subsection, the maximum amount of any such
175 contribution shall be ten thousand dollars per calendar year. Any
176 contribution made pursuant to this subdivision shall be in addition to
177 the amount of tax reported to be due on such return and shall be paid
178 at the same time as the tax due on such return is paid and in the
179 manner prescribed by the Commissioner of Revenue Services.

180 (4) The total combined contributions that a taxpayer may make
181 under subdivisions (1) and (3) of this subsection shall be ten thousand
182 dollars per calendar year.

183 (b) A contribution or designation made pursuant to this section shall
184 be irrevocable upon the filing of the return. A taxpayer making a
185 contribution or designation pursuant to this subsection shall so
186 indicate on the tax return in a manner provided for by the
187 Commissioner of Revenue Services pursuant to subsection (c) of this
188 section.

189 (c) The Commissioner of Revenue Services shall revise the income
190 tax return form to implement the provisions of subsection (a) of this
191 section. Such form shall include (1) a space on the return in which
192 taxpayers may indicate their intention to make a contribution or
193 designation in accordance with this section, and (2) instructions for
194 payment of any contribution under subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of
195 this section. The commissioner shall include in the instructions
196 accompanying the tax return a description of the purposes for which
197 the Citizens' Election Fund was established.

198 (d) A contribution of all or part of a refund shall be made in the full
199 amount indicated if the refund found due the taxpayer upon the initial
200 processing of the return, and after any deductions required by chapter
201 208 of the general statutes, is greater than or equal to the indicated
202 contribution. If the refund due, as determined upon initial processing

203 and after any deductions required by said chapter 208, is less than the
204 indicated contribution, the contribution shall be made in the full
205 amount of the refund. The Commissioner of Revenue Services shall
206 subtract the amount of any contribution of all or part of a refund from
207 the amount of the refund initially found due the taxpayer and shall
208 certify (1) the amount of the refund initially due the taxpayer, (2) the
209 amount of any such contribution, and (3) the amount of the difference
210 to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and the State
211 Treasurer for payment to the taxpayer in accordance with said chapter
212 208. For the purposes of any subsequent determination of the
213 taxpayer's net tax payment, such contribution shall be considered a
214 part of the refund paid to the taxpayer.

215 (e) The Commissioner of Revenue Services, after notification of and
216 approval by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management,
217 may deduct and retain from the moneys collected under subsections
218 (a) to (d), inclusive, of this section an amount equal to the costs of
219 administering this section, but not to exceed four per cent of such
220 moneys collected in any fiscal year. The Commissioner of Revenue
221 Services shall deposit the remaining moneys collected in the Citizens'
222 Election Fund.

223 (f) An amount equal to the amount contributed by a taxpayer under
224 subdivisions (1) and (3) of subsection (a) of this section with respect to
225 the preceding taxable year of the taxpayer shall be deducted from the
226 gross income of the taxpayer in arriving at net income as defined in
227 section 12-213 of the general statutes.

228 Sec. 5. Subsection (e) of section 9-333j of the general statutes is
229 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
230 *1, 2002, and applicable to convention, primary and general election*
231 *campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter*):

232 (e) (1) Notwithstanding any provisions of this chapter to the
233 contrary, in the event of a surplus the campaign treasurer of a
234 candidate committee or of a political committee, other than a political

235 committee formed for ongoing political activities or an exploratory
236 committee shall distribute or expend such surplus [within] not later
237 than ninety days after a primary which results in the defeat of the
238 candidate, an election or referendum, in the following manner:

239 (A) Such committees may distribute their surplus to a party
240 committee, or a political committee organized for ongoing political
241 activities, return such surplus to all contributors to the committee on a
242 prorated basis of contribution, distribute all or any part of such surplus
243 to the Citizens' Election Fund established in section 2 of this act or
244 distribute such surplus to any charitable organization which is a tax-
245 exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue
246 Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code
247 of the United States, as from time to time amended, provided (i) no
248 candidate committee may distribute such surplus to a committee
249 which has been established to finance future political campaigns of the
250 candidate, (ii) a candidate committee which received moneys from the
251 Citizens' Election Fund shall distribute such surplus to such fund, and
252 (iii) a candidate committee formed to aid or promote the success of a
253 candidate for nomination or election to the office of Lieutenant
254 Governor, the candidate of which campaigns jointly with a candidate
255 for nomination or election to the office of Governor shall distribute
256 such surplus in accordance with the provisions of section 15 of this act;

257 (B) Each such political committee established by an organization
258 which received its funds from the organization's treasury shall return
259 its surplus to its sponsoring organization;

260 (C) (i) Each political committee formed solely to aid or promote the
261 success or defeat of any referendum question, which does not receive
262 contributions from a business entity or an organization, shall distribute
263 its surplus to a party committee, to a political committee organized for
264 ongoing political activities, to a national committee of a political party,
265 to all contributors to the committee on a prorated basis of contribution,
266 to state or municipal governments or agencies or to any organization

267 which is a tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the
268 Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding
269 internal revenue code of the United States, as from time to time
270 amended, [(ii) each] (ii) Each political committee formed solely to aid
271 or promote the success or defeat of any referendum question, which
272 receives contributions from a business entity or an organization, shall
273 distribute its surplus to all contributors to the committee on a prorated
274 basis of contribution, to state or municipal governments or agencies, or
275 to any organization which is tax-exempt under said provisions of the
276 Internal Revenue Code;

277 (D) The campaign treasurer of the candidate committee of a
278 candidate who is elected to office may, upon the authorization of such
279 candidate, expend surplus campaign funds to pay for the cost of
280 clerical, secretarial or other office expenses necessarily incurred by
281 such candidate in preparation for taking office; except such surplus
282 shall not be distributed for the personal benefit of any individual or to
283 any organization; and

284 (E) The campaign treasurer of a candidate committee, or of a
285 political committee, other than a political committee formed for
286 ongoing political activities or an exploratory committee, shall, prior to
287 the dissolution of such committee, either (i) distribute any equipment
288 purchased, including but not limited to computer equipment, to any
289 recipient as set forth in subparagraph (A) of this subdivision or (ii) sell
290 any equipment purchased, including but not limited to computer
291 equipment, to any person for fair market value and then distribute the
292 proceeds of such sale to any recipient as set forth in said subparagraph
293 (A).

294 (2) Notwithstanding any provisions of this chapter to the contrary,
295 the campaign treasurer of the candidate committee of a candidate who
296 has withdrawn from a primary or election may, prior to the primary or
297 election, distribute its surplus to any organization which is tax-exempt
298 under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any

299 subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States,
300 as from time to time amended, or return such surplus to all
301 contributors to the committee on a prorated basis of contribution.

302 (3) [Within] Not later than seven days after such distribution or
303 [within] not later than seven days after all funds have been expended
304 in accordance with subparagraph (D) of subdivision (1) of this
305 subsection, the campaign treasurer shall file a supplemental statement,
306 sworn under penalty of false statement, with the proper authority,
307 identifying all further contributions received since the previous
308 statement and explaining how any surplus has been distributed or
309 expended in accordance with this section. No surplus may be
310 distributed or expended until after the election, primary or
311 referendum.

312 (4) In the event of a deficit the campaign treasurer shall file a
313 supplemental statement ninety days after the election, primary or
314 referendum with the proper authority and, thereafter, on the seventh
315 day of each month following if on the last day of the previous month
316 there was an increase or decrease in the deficit in excess of five
317 hundred dollars from that reported on the last statement filed. The
318 campaign treasurer shall file such supplemental statements as required
319 until the deficit is eliminated. If any such committee does not have a
320 surplus or a deficit, the statement required to be filed [within] not later
321 than forty-five days following any election or referendum or [within]
322 not later than thirty days following any primary shall be the last
323 required statement.

324 Sec. 6. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention,*
325 *primary and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter*)
326 All payments of civil penalties or late fees imposed by the State
327 Elections Enforcement Commission or the Secretary of the State under
328 title 9 of the general statutes or the state ethics commission under
329 chapter 10 of the general statutes, which are received after the effective
330 date of this section, shall be immediately transmitted to the State

331 Treasurer for deposit in the Citizens' Election Fund established in
332 section 2 of this act.

333 Sec. 7. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention,*
334 *primary and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter*)
335 Any person, business entity, organization, party committee or political
336 committee, as defined in section 9-333a of the general statutes, as
337 amended, may contribute to the Citizens' Election Fund. Any such
338 contribution shall be made by check or money order. The commission
339 shall immediately transmit all contributions received pursuant to this
340 section to the State Treasurer for deposit in the Citizens' Election Fund.

341 Sec. 8. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention,*
342 *primary and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter*)
343 There is established a Citizens' Election Program under which the
344 candidate committee of a candidate for nomination or election to a
345 state office may receive grants from the Citizens' Election Fund for the
346 candidate's campaign for such office. Any such candidate is eligible to
347 receive such grants if (1) the candidate's candidate committee receives
348 the required amount of qualifying contributions described in section 9
349 of this act, (2) the candidate's candidate committee returns all
350 contributions that are not qualifying contributions as described in
351 section 9 of this act, (3) the candidate's exploratory committee, if any,
352 returns all contributions that do not meet the criteria for qualifying
353 contributions to a candidate committee as described in section 9 of this
354 act, (4) the candidate agrees to limit campaign expenditures to not
355 more than the aggregate of (A) the amount of qualifying contributions
356 permitted in section 9 of this act, (B) the applicable amount of
357 contributions that the candidate committee receives from party
358 committees in accordance with the provisions of section 9-333s of the
359 general statutes, as amended by this act, and (C) the amount of such
360 grant or grants, and (5) the candidate complies with the requirements
361 of section 12 of this act.

362 Sec. 9. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention,*

363 *primary and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter)*
364 (a) The amount of qualifying contributions which the candidate
365 committee of a candidate needs to receive in order to be eligible for
366 grants from the Citizens' Election Fund shall be:

367 (1) In the case of a candidate for nomination or election to the office
368 of Governor, contributions from individuals in the aggregate amount
369 of five hundred thousand dollars, of which four hundred fifty
370 thousand dollars or more is contributed by individuals residing in the
371 state, provided (A) the candidate committee shall return the portion of
372 any contribution or contributions from an individual other than such
373 candidate that exceeds two hundred fifty dollars, and such excess
374 portion shall not be considered in calculating such amounts, and (B) all
375 contributions received by an exploratory committee that meet the
376 criteria for qualifying contributions to candidate committees under this
377 section shall be considered in calculating such amounts; and

378 (2) In the case of a candidate for nomination or election to the office
379 of Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, State
380 Treasurer or Secretary of the State, contributions from individuals in
381 the aggregate amount of seventy-five thousand dollars, of which sixty-
382 seven thousand five hundred dollars or more is contributed by
383 individuals residing in the state, provided (A) the candidate committee
384 shall return the portion of any contribution or contributions from an
385 individual other than such candidate that exceeds one hundred fifty
386 dollars, and such excess portion shall not be considered in calculating
387 such amounts, and (B) all contributions received by an exploratory
388 committee that meet the criteria for qualifying contributions to
389 candidate committees under this section shall be considered in
390 calculating such amounts.

391 (b) Each individual who makes a contribution to a candidate
392 committee established to aid or promote the success of a participating
393 candidate for nomination or election to a state office shall include with
394 the contribution a certification that (1) neither the individual nor the

395 individual's spouse is a lobbyist, and (2) neither the individual, the
396 individual's spouse nor an associated business of the individual or the
397 individual's spouse has a contract with the state. A contribution from
398 (A) a lobbyist or the spouse of a lobbyist, or (B) an individual who has
399 a contract with the state, said individual's spouse or an individual
400 whose associated business or spouse's associated business has a
401 contract with the state shall not be deemed to be a qualifying
402 contribution under subsection (a) of this section and shall be returned
403 by the candidate committee.

404 (c) Each individual who makes a contribution to a candidate
405 committee established to aid or promote the success of a participating
406 candidate for nomination or election to a state office shall include the
407 individual's name and address with the contribution. A contribution
408 (1) from an individual that does not include such information, or (2)
409 from an individual who does not reside in the state, in excess of the
410 applicable limit on contributions from nonresidents in subsection (a) of
411 this section, shall not be deemed to be a qualifying contribution under
412 said subsection (a) and shall be returned by the candidate committee.

413 Sec. 10. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention,*
414 *primary and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter*)
415 (a) Except as provided in sections 17 and 18 of this act, the total
416 amount of grants from the Citizens' Election Fund which a qualified
417 candidate committee of a candidate for the office of Governor shall be
418 eligible to receive for the entire campaign for nomination and election
419 to such office shall be three million three hundred twenty-five
420 thousand dollars.

421 (b) The qualified candidate committee of a major party or minor
422 party candidate for the office of Governor, who does not have a
423 primary for nomination to such office, shall be eligible to receive a
424 grant for each portion of the campaign in the following percentage
425 amounts of the total amount in subsection (a) of this section: (1)
426 Selection and support of delegates to a convention, twenty per cent; (2)

427 convention vote, five per cent; and (3) general election, seventy-five
428 per cent.

429 (c) The qualified candidate committee of a major party or minor
430 party candidate for the office of Governor, who has a primary for
431 nomination to such office, shall be eligible to receive a grant for each
432 portion of the campaign in the following percentage amounts of the
433 total amount in subsection (a) of this section: (1) Selection and support
434 of delegates to a convention, twenty per cent; (2) convention vote, five
435 per cent; (3) primary for nomination, twenty-five per cent; and (4)
436 general election, fifty per cent. In addition, such candidate shall receive
437 a supplemental grant for the general election campaign equal to ten
438 per cent of the total amount in subsection (a) of this section.

439 (d) The qualified candidate committee of a petitioning party
440 candidate for the office of Governor shall be eligible to receive a grant
441 for each portion of the campaign in the following percentage amounts
442 of the total amount in subsection (a) of this section: (1) Petitioning for
443 ballot access, thirty-five per cent; and (2) general election, sixty-five per
444 cent.

445 (e) Not later than January 15, 2007, and annually thereafter, the
446 commission shall compute an increase in the monetary amount under
447 subsection (a) of this section. The percentage of such increase shall
448 equal the percentage increase in the average of the bulk mail rates of
449 the United States Postal Service during the preceding calendar year.

450 Sec. 11. (NEW) *(Effective July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention,*
451 *primary and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter)*

452 (a) The total amount of grants from the Citizens' Election Fund which a
453 qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the office of Attorney
454 General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer or Secretary of the State
455 shall be eligible to receive for the entire campaign for nomination and
456 election to such office shall be four hundred eighteen thousand dollars.

457 (b) The qualified candidate committee of a major party or minor

458 party candidate for the office of Attorney General, State Comptroller,
459 State Treasurer or Secretary of the State, who does not have a primary
460 for nomination to such office, shall be eligible to receive a grant for
461 each portion of the campaign in the following percentage amounts of
462 the total amount in subsection (a) of this section: (1) Selection and
463 support of delegates to a convention, twenty per cent; (2) convention
464 vote, five per cent; and (3) general election, seventy-five per cent.

465 (c) The qualified candidate committee of a major party or minor
466 party candidate for the office of Attorney General, State Comptroller,
467 State Treasurer or Secretary of the State, who has a primary for
468 nomination to such office, shall be eligible to receive a grant for each
469 portion of the campaign in the following percentage amounts of the
470 total amount in subsection (a) of this section: (1) Selection and support
471 of delegates to a convention, twenty per cent; (2) convention vote, five
472 per cent; (3) primary for nomination, twenty-five per cent; and (4)
473 general election, fifty per cent. In addition, such candidate shall receive
474 a supplemental grant for the general election campaign equal to ten
475 per cent of the total amount in subsection (a) of this section.

476 (d) The qualified candidate committee of a petitioning party
477 candidate for the office of Attorney General, State Comptroller, State
478 Treasurer or Secretary of the State shall be eligible to receive a grant for
479 each portion of the campaign in the following percentage amounts of
480 the total amount in subsection (a) of this section: (1) Petitioning for
481 ballot access, thirty-five per cent; and (2) general election, sixty-five per
482 cent.

483 (e) The qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the office of
484 Lieutenant Governor shall be eligible to receive grants from the
485 Citizens' Election Fund for the selection and support of delegates to a
486 convention, convention vote, primary for nomination and petitioning
487 for ballot access, in the same amounts as the grants for such campaigns
488 for qualified candidate committees of candidates for the offices of
489 Attorney General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer and Secretary of

490 the State. The qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the
491 office of Lieutenant Governor shall not receive a grant for the general
492 election campaign.

493 (f) Not later than January 15, 2007, and annually thereafter, the
494 commission shall compute an increase in the monetary amount under
495 subsection (a) of this section. The percentage of such increase shall
496 equal the percentage increase in the average of the bulk mail rates of
497 the United States Postal Service during the preceding calendar year.

498 Sec. 12. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention,*
499 *primary and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter*)

500 (a) A candidate whose candidate committee has not received moneys
501 from the Citizens' Election Fund may apply to the State Elections
502 Enforcement Commission for moneys from the fund for one of the
503 following campaigns, during the applicable period: (1) A campaign for
504 the selection and support of delegates to a convention, after January
505 first in the year in which the election is being held for the office that the
506 candidate is seeking; (2) a petitioning campaign for ballot access, after
507 January first in the year in which the election is being held for the
508 office that the candidate is seeking; (3) a campaign for the convention
509 vote, the sixty-day period before the scheduled convening of the
510 convention; (4) a primary campaign, after the close of the state
511 convention of the candidate's party that is called for the purpose of
512 choosing candidates for nomination for the office that the candidate is
513 seeking, if said party endorses the candidate for the office that the
514 candidate is seeking or the candidate receives at least fifteen per cent
515 of the votes of the convention delegates present and voting on any roll-
516 call vote taken on the endorsement or proposed endorsement of a
517 candidate for the office the candidate is seeking; or (5) a general
518 election campaign, (A) after the close of the state convention of the
519 candidate's party that is called for the purpose of choosing candidates
520 for nomination for the office that the candidate is seeking, if (i) said
521 party endorses said candidate for the office that the candidate is
522 seeking and no other candidate of said party either receives at least

523 fifteen per cent of the votes of the convention delegates present and
524 voting on any roll-call vote taken on the endorsement or proposed
525 endorsement of a candidate for said office or files a certificate of
526 candidacy with the Secretary of the State in accordance with the
527 provisions of section 9-400 of the general statutes, or (ii) the candidate
528 receives at least fifteen per cent of the votes of the convention delegates
529 present and voting on any roll-call vote taken on the endorsement or
530 proposed endorsement of a candidate for the office the candidate is
531 seeking and no other candidate for such office at such convention
532 either receives the party endorsement or said percentage of said votes
533 for said endorsement or files a certificate of endorsement with the
534 Secretary of the State in accordance with the provisions of section 9-388
535 of the general statutes or a certificate of candidacy with the Secretary
536 of the State in accordance with the provisions of section 9-400 of the
537 general statutes, (B) after any primary held by such party for
538 nomination for such office, if the Secretary of the State declares that the
539 candidate is the party nominee in accordance with the provisions of
540 section 9-440 of the general statutes, or (C) in the case of a petitioning
541 party candidate, after approval by the Secretary of the State of such
542 candidate's nominating petition pursuant to subsection (c) of section 9-
543 453o of the general statutes.

544 (b) The application shall include a written certification that:

545 (1) The candidate committee has received the required amount of
546 qualifying contributions;

547 (2) The candidate committee has repaid all moneys borrowed on
548 behalf of the campaign, as required by subsection (b) of section 16 of
549 this act;

550 (3) The candidate committee has returned the portion of any
551 contribution or contributions from an individual that exceeds (A) two
552 hundred fifty dollars, if the candidate committee is established to aid
553 or promote the success of a candidate for nomination or election to the
554 office of Governor, or (B) one hundred fifty dollars, if the candidate

555 committee is established to aid or promote the success of a candidate
556 for nomination or election to the office of Lieutenant Governor,
557 Attorney General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer or Secretary of
558 the State;

559 (4) The candidate committee has returned all contributions which
560 make the committee's aggregate amount of contributions received total
561 more than the amount of qualifying contributions;

562 (5) The candidate committee has returned any contribution received
563 from (A) a lobbyist or the spouse of a lobbyist, (B) an individual who
564 has a contract with the state, said individual's spouse, or an individual
565 whose associated business or spouse's associated business has a
566 contract with the state, or (C) a political committee;

567 (6) The candidate committee has returned any contribution from an
568 individual who (A) does not include the individual's name and
569 address with the contribution, or (B) does not reside in the state, if said
570 contribution is in excess of the applicable limit on contributions from
571 nonresidents in subsection (a) of section 9 of this act;

572 (7) The candidate's exploratory committee, if any, has returned all
573 contributions that do not meet the criteria for qualifying contributions
574 to a candidate committee as described in section 9 of this act;

575 (8) The candidate committee shall refuse to accept any additional
576 contributions, except for contributions from party committees in
577 accordance with the provisions of section 9-333s of the general statutes,
578 as amended by this act;

579 (9) The campaign treasurer of the candidate committee shall comply
580 with the provisions of sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 22, inclusive, and
581 36 and 37 of this act;

582 (10) All moneys received from the fund shall be deposited upon
583 receipt into the depository account of the candidate committee;

584 (11) The campaign treasurer of the candidate committee shall
585 expend all moneys received from the fund in accordance with the
586 provisions of subsection (g) of section 9-333i of the general statutes;

587 (12) All individuals making qualifying contributions to the
588 candidate committee of the candidate have made the certifications
589 required in subsection (b) of section 9 of this act and the candidate has
590 no knowledge that any such certification is false;

591 (13) The campaign treasurer of the candidate committee of the
592 candidate has, and will continue to, file in electronic form all financial
593 disclosure statements required by section 9-333j of the general statutes.
594 The form of such electronic filing shall comply with the provisions of
595 section 9-348ee of the general statutes;

596 (14) If the candidate withdraws from the campaign, becomes
597 ineligible or dies during the campaign, the candidate committee of the
598 candidate shall return to the commission, for deposit in the fund, all
599 moneys received from the fund pursuant to sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6
600 to 22, inclusive, and 36 and 37 of this act which said candidate
601 committee has not spent as of the date of such occurrence; and

602 (15) In the case of a candidate for the office of Lieutenant Governor,
603 that such candidate is not deemed to be aiding or promoting the
604 success of the campaign for Lieutenant Governor and the success of a
605 candidate for nomination or election to the office of Governor jointly as
606 described in subsection (a) of section 15 of this act.

607 (c) The application shall be accompanied by a cumulative itemized
608 accounting of all funds received, expenditures made and expenses
609 incurred but not yet paid by the candidate committee as of three days
610 before the date that the application is signed. Such accounting shall be
611 sworn to under penalty of false statement by the campaign treasurer of
612 the candidate committee. The commission shall prescribe the form of
613 the application and the cumulative itemized accounting, after
614 consulting with the Secretary of the State. The form for such

615 accounting shall conform to the requirements of section 9-333j of the
616 general statutes. Both the candidate and the campaign treasurer of the
617 candidate committee shall sign the application. The application shall
618 also be accompanied by a bond, with surety, in the amount which the
619 applicant candidate is eligible to receive initially from the fund. The
620 commission shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions
621 of chapter 54 of the general statutes, implementing such requirement
622 of a bond.

623 (d) Not later than five business days following receipt of any such
624 application, the commission shall review the application, determine
625 whether the candidate committee for the applicant (1) has received the
626 required qualifying contributions, and (2) in the case of an application
627 for moneys from the fund for a primary or general election campaign,
628 the applicant has met the applicable condition under subsection (a) of
629 this section for applying for such moneys and, if so, determine the
630 amount of moneys payable to the candidate committee from the fund
631 and notify the State Comptroller and the candidate of such candidate
632 committee, of such amount. Not later than three business days
633 following notification by the commission, the State Comptroller shall
634 draw an order on the State Treasurer for payment of such amount to
635 the qualified candidate committee from the fund.

636 Sec. 13. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention,*
637 *primary and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter*)
638 (a) Following the initial deposit of moneys from the fund into the
639 depository account of a qualified candidate committee, no
640 contribution, loan, amount of the candidate's own moneys or any other
641 moneys received by the candidate or the campaign treasurer on behalf
642 of the committee shall be deposited into said depository account,
643 except (1) grants from the fund, (2) contributions from party
644 committees in accordance with the provisions of section 9-333s of the
645 general statutes, as amended by this act, and (3) any additional
646 moneys from the fund as provided in sections 17 and 18 of this act.

647 (b) A qualified candidate committee for a candidate for nomination
648 or election to a state office, which receives moneys from the fund, shall
649 not make expenditures or incur expenses in excess of the applicable
650 permitted expenditure amount.

651 Sec. 14. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention,*
652 *primary and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter*)

653 (a) A qualified candidate committee that received moneys from the
654 Citizens' Election Fund for the selection and support of delegates to a
655 convention or for the convention vote and whose candidate is
656 endorsed for nomination to the office that the candidate is seeking at
657 the party's state convention shall receive moneys from the fund for a
658 primary campaign if one or more other candidates for such
659 nomination receive at least fifteen per cent of the votes of the
660 convention delegates present and voting on any roll call vote taken on
661 the endorsement or proposed endorsement of a candidate for said
662 office. Upon the close of the convention and determining that such
663 conditions have been met, the State Elections Enforcement
664 Commission shall notify the State Comptroller of the amount due said
665 candidate. Not later than three business days following notification by
666 the commission, the State Comptroller shall draw an order on the State
667 Treasurer for payment of a primary campaign grant to the qualified
668 candidate committee from the fund. If no primary is held for such
669 nomination, any unspent moneys from such primary campaign grant
670 shall be returned to the commission and deposited in the fund or used
671 by the candidate committee to reduce the amount of the general
672 election campaign grant.

673 (b) A qualified candidate committee that received moneys from the
674 Citizens' Elections Fund for the selection and support of delegates to a
675 convention or for the convention vote and whose candidate receives at
676 least fifteen per cent of the votes of the convention delegates present
677 and voting on any roll call vote taken on the endorsement or proposed
678 endorsement of a candidate for said office shall receive moneys from
679 the fund for a primary campaign if (1) another candidate is endorsed

680 for nomination to the office that the candidate is seeking at the party's
681 state convention, or (2) one or more other candidates for such
682 nomination receive at least fifteen per cent of the votes of the
683 convention delegates present and voting on any roll call vote taken on
684 the endorsement or proposed endorsement of a candidate for said
685 office. Upon the close of the convention and determining that such
686 conditions have been met, the State Elections Enforcement
687 Commission shall notify the State Comptroller of the amount due said
688 candidate. Not later than three business days following notification by
689 the commission, the State Comptroller shall draw an order on the State
690 Treasurer for payment of a primary campaign grant to the qualified
691 candidate committee from the fund. If no primary is held for such
692 nomination, any unspent moneys from such primary campaign grant
693 shall be returned to the commission and deposited in the fund or used
694 by the candidate committee to reduce the amount of the general
695 election campaign grant.

696 (c) If a scheduled primary is cancelled pursuant to section 9-429 of
697 the general statutes, a qualified candidate committee which received
698 moneys from the fund for a primary and whose candidate is deemed
699 to have been lawfully nominated pursuant to said section 9-429 shall
700 receive moneys from the fund for a general election campaign. Upon
701 receiving verification from the Secretary of the State that a scheduled
702 primary has not been held and that the candidate of a qualified
703 candidate committee has been deemed to have been lawfully
704 nominated in accordance with the provisions of said section 9-429, the
705 commission shall notify the State Comptroller of the amount payable
706 to said qualified candidate committee and the State Comptroller shall
707 draw an order on the State Treasurer for payment of the general
708 election campaign grant to said committee from the fund, provided the
709 amount of such general election grant shall be reduced by the amount
710 of the primary campaign grant which said candidate committee has
711 not spent as of the date of cancellation of the primary.

712 (d) A qualified candidate committee that received moneys from the

713 Citizens' Election Fund for the selection and support of delegates to a
714 convention or for the convention vote shall receive moneys from the
715 fund for a general election campaign if the candidate who established
716 such committee (1) is endorsed for nomination to the office that the
717 candidate is seeking at the party's state convention and no other
718 candidate receives at least fifteen per cent of the votes of the
719 convention delegates present and voting on any roll call vote taken on
720 the endorsement or proposed endorsement of a candidate for said
721 office, or (2) receives at least fifteen per cent of the votes of the
722 convention delegates present and voting on any roll call vote taken on
723 the endorsement or proposed endorsement of a candidate for said
724 office and no other candidate is (A) endorsed for nomination to the
725 office that the candidate is seeking at the party's state convention, or
726 (B) receives at least fifteen per cent of the votes of the convention
727 delegates present and voting on any roll call vote taken on the
728 endorsement or proposed endorsement of a candidate for said office.
729 Upon the close of the convention and determining that such conditions
730 have been met, the State Elections Enforcement Commission shall
731 notify the State Comptroller of the amount due said candidate. Not
732 later than three business days following notification by the
733 commission, the State Comptroller shall draw an order on the State
734 Treasurer for payment of a general election campaign grant to the
735 qualified candidate committee from the fund.

736 (e) A qualified candidate committee which received moneys from
737 the fund for a primary campaign and whose candidate is the party
738 nominee shall receive moneys from the fund for a general election
739 campaign. Upon receiving verification from the Secretary of the State
740 of the declaration by the Secretary of the State in accordance with the
741 provisions of section 9-440 of the general statutes, of the results of the
742 votes cast at the primary, the commission shall notify the State
743 Comptroller of the amount payable to such qualified candidate
744 committee. Not later than three business days following notification by
745 the commission, the State Comptroller shall draw an order on the State
746 Treasurer for payment of the general election campaign grant to said

747 committee from said fund.

748 (f) A qualified candidate committee which received moneys from
749 the fund for a petition campaign for ballot access and whose
750 candidate's nominating petition has been approved by the Secretary of
751 the State pursuant to subsection (c) of section 9-453o of the general
752 statutes shall receive moneys from the fund for a general election
753 campaign. Upon receiving notification from the Secretary of the State
754 of such approval, the commission shall notify the State Comptroller of
755 the amount payable to such qualified candidate committee. Not later
756 than three business days following notification by the commission, the
757 State Comptroller shall draw an order on the State Treasurer for
758 payment of the general election campaign grant to said committee
759 from said fund.

760 (g) Not later than twenty-four hours after any event under this
761 section which entitles a candidate to receive moneys from the fund for
762 a primary campaign or a general election campaign, the Secretary of
763 the State shall notify the commission of such event.

764 Sec. 15. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention,*
765 *primary and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter*)

766 (a) For purposes of this section, expenditures made for purposes of the
767 permitted expenditure amount to aid or promote the success of both a
768 candidate for nomination or election to the office of Governor and a
769 candidate for nomination or election to the office of Lieutenant
770 Governor jointly, shall be considered expenditures made to aid or
771 promote the success of a candidate for nomination or election to the
772 office of Governor. The party-endorsed candidate for nomination or
773 election to the office of Lieutenant Governor and the party-endorsed
774 candidate for nomination or election to the office of Governor shall be
775 deemed to be aiding or promoting the success of both candidates
776 jointly upon the earliest of the following: (1) The primary, whether
777 held for the office of Governor, the office of Lieutenant Governor, or
778 both; (2) if no primary is held for the office of Governor or Lieutenant

779 Governor, the convention; or (3) a declaration by the party-endorsed
780 candidates that they shall campaign jointly. Any other candidate for
781 nomination or election to the office of Lieutenant Governor shall be
782 deemed to be aiding or promoting the success of such candidacy for
783 the office of Lieutenant Governor and the success of a candidate for
784 nomination or election to the office of Governor jointly upon a
785 declaration by the candidates that they shall campaign jointly.

786 (b) The candidate committee formed to aid or promote the success
787 of a candidate for nomination or election to the office of Lieutenant
788 Governor, the candidate of which campaigns jointly with a candidate
789 for nomination or election to the office of Governor, shall be dissolved
790 as of the applicable date set forth in subsection (a) of this section. Not
791 later than fifteen days after the applicable date set forth in subsection
792 (a) of this section, the campaign treasurer of the candidate committee
793 formed to aid or promote the success of said candidate for nomination
794 or election to the office of Lieutenant Governor shall file a statement
795 with the proper authority under section 9-333e of the general statutes,
796 as amended by this act, identifying all contributions received or
797 expenditures made by the committee since the previous statement and
798 the balance on hand or deficit, as the case may be. Not later than thirty
799 days after the applicable date set forth in subsection (a) of this section,
800 (1) the campaign treasurer of a qualified candidate committee formed
801 to aid or promote the success of said candidate for nomination or
802 election to the office of Lieutenant Governor shall distribute any
803 surplus to the fund, and (2) the campaign treasurer of a nonqualified
804 candidate committee formed to aid or promote the success of said
805 candidate for nomination or election to the office of Lieutenant
806 Governor shall return such surplus to all contributors on a prorated
807 basis of contribution or distribute such surplus to any charitable
808 organization which is a tax-exempt organization under Section
809 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent
810 corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as from time
811 to time amended.

812 Sec. 16. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention,*
813 *primary and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter*)
814 (a) A qualified candidate committee may borrow moneys on behalf of
815 a campaign for the selection and support of delegates to a convention,
816 a primary or a general election from one or more financial institutions,
817 as defined in section 36a-41 of the general statutes, as amended in an
818 aggregate amount not to exceed one thousand dollars. The amount
819 borrowed shall not constitute a qualifying contribution. No individual,
820 political committee or party committee, except the candidate or, in a
821 general election, the state central committee of a political party, shall
822 endorse or guarantee such a loan in an aggregate amount in excess of
823 two hundred fifty dollars. An endorsement or guarantee of such a loan
824 shall constitute a contribution by such individual or committee for so
825 long as the loan is outstanding. The amount endorsed or guaranteed
826 by such individual or committee shall cease to constitute a
827 contribution upon repayment of the amount endorsed or guaranteed.

828 (b) All such loans shall be repaid in full prior to the date a candidate
829 committee applies for the moneys from the fund pursuant to section 12
830 of this act. The candidate shall certify to the commission that such
831 loans were repaid. A candidate who fails to repay such loans or fails to
832 certify such repayment to the commission shall not be eligible to
833 receive and shall not receive moneys from the fund.

834 Sec. 17. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention,*
835 *primary and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter*)
836 (a) (1) A qualified candidate committee which receives moneys from
837 the fund pursuant to section 12 of this act and makes expenditures in
838 excess of the permitted expenditure amount (A) shall repay to the fund
839 the amount of expenditures in excess of the applicable permitted
840 expenditure amount, and (B) shall not receive any additional moneys
841 from the fund for the remainder of the election cycle.

842 (2) In addition, a candidate of a qualified candidate committee
843 which receives moneys from the fund pursuant to section 12 of this act

844 and makes expenditures that, with the intent of said candidate, exceed
845 the applicable permitted expenditure amount by more than one per
846 cent shall (A) be liable to the fund for the amount of such excess
847 expenditures, and (B) be guilty of a class D felony.

848 (b) Additional moneys from the fund shall be paid to a qualified
849 candidate committee which received moneys from the fund if the
850 committee of an opposing candidate makes expenditures in excess of
851 the applicable permitted expenditure amount. Such additional moneys
852 from the fund shall be paid to a qualified candidate committee which
853 received moneys from the fund (1) regardless of whether the candidate
854 committee which makes expenditures in excess of the applicable
855 permitted expenditure amount has received moneys from the fund, (2)
856 in an amount equal to the greatest amount of expenditures in excess of
857 the applicable permitted expenditure amount which the committee of
858 an opposing candidate has made expenditures, but not more than one
859 hundred per cent of the amount of moneys which the qualified
860 candidate committee has received from the fund, and (3) immediately
861 following the commission's verification that the committee of an
862 opposing candidate has made expenditures in excess of the applicable
863 permitted expenditure amount. In the case of the candidate committee
864 of a nonparticipating candidate making such excess expenditures,
865 additional moneys shall not be paid to a qualified candidate committee
866 under this subsection until the general election campaign. No qualified
867 candidate committee which expends moneys in excess of the permitted
868 expenditure amount shall receive additional moneys from the fund
869 pursuant to this subsection.

870 (c) If a nonparticipating candidate makes or incurs the obligation to
871 make an excess expenditure more than twenty days before the day of a
872 convention, primary or election, the candidate shall file a declaration of
873 excess expenditures not later than forty-eight hours after making or
874 incurring the expenditure. If a nonparticipating candidate makes or
875 incurs the obligation to make an excess expenditure twenty days or
876 less before the day of a convention, primary or election, the candidate

877 shall file a declaration of excess expenditures not later than twenty-
878 four hours after making or incurring the expenditure. The commission
879 may determine whether any expenditure by a nonparticipating
880 candidate shall be deemed an excess expenditure.

881 Sec. 18. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention,*
882 *primary and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter*)

883 (a) Any person who makes or obligates to make an independent
884 expenditure, as defined in section 9-333a of the general statutes, as
885 amended, intended to promote the success or defeat of a candidate for
886 nomination or election to a state office, which exceeds five hundred
887 dollars, in the aggregate, during the period for the selection and
888 support of delegates to a convention, a primary campaign period or an
889 election campaign period, shall file a report of such independent
890 expenditure to the State Elections Enforcement Commission. If the
891 person makes or obligates to make such independent expenditure
892 more than twenty days before the day of a convention, primary or
893 election, the person shall file such report not later than forty-eight
894 hours after such payment or obligation. If the person makes or
895 obligates to make such independent expenditure twenty days or less
896 before the day of a convention, primary or election, the person shall
897 file such report not later than twenty-four hours after such payment or
898 obligation. The report shall be filed under penalty of false statement.

899 (b) The independent expenditure report shall include a statement (1)
900 identifying the candidate for whom the independent expenditure is
901 intended to promote the success or defeat, (2) affirming that the
902 expenditure is totally independent and involves no cooperation or
903 coordination with or direction from a candidate or a political party,
904 and (3) affirming that the individual making the expenditure has not
905 served or does not serve as treasurer, deputy treasurer or chairperson
906 of the candidate committee during the same election cycle.

907 (c) Any person may file a complaint with the commission upon the
908 belief that (1) any such independent expenditure report or statement is

909 false, or (2) any person who is required to file an independent
910 expenditure report under subsection (a) of this section has failed to do
911 so. The commission shall make a prompt determination on such a
912 complaint.

913 (d) Upon the receipt of a report that such an independent
914 expenditure has been made or obligated to be made, the commission
915 shall immediately notify the State Comptroller that additional money,
916 equal to the amount of the independent expenditure, shall be paid to
917 the qualifying candidate committees of each participating candidate
918 whom the independent expenditure is intended to oppose or defeat.
919 Not later than three business days following notification by the
920 commission, the State Comptroller shall draw an order on the State
921 Treasurer for payment of such amount to each such qualified
922 candidate committee from the fund. The provisions of this subsection
923 shall be subject to the following:

924 (1) The maximum aggregate amount of funding that the qualified
925 candidate committee of a participating candidate shall receive to
926 match the independent expenditures made or obligated to be made on
927 behalf of an opposing participating candidate shall not be greater than
928 one hundred per cent of the total moneys that said candidate
929 committee has received from the fund.

930 (2) The maximum aggregate amount of funding that the qualified
931 candidate committee of a participating candidate shall receive to
932 match the independent expenditures and the excess expenditures of a
933 nonparticipating candidate shall not be greater than two hundred per
934 cent of the total moneys that said candidate committee has received
935 from the fund.

936 (3) Such additional funding shall be granted to the qualified
937 candidate committee of a participating candidate opposed by a
938 nonparticipating candidate only if the nonparticipating candidate's
939 campaign expenditures, combined with the amount of the
940 independent expenditures, exceed the applicable permitted

941 expenditure amount for the participating candidate, during the general
942 election campaign.

943 Sec. 19. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention,*
944 *primary and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter*)
945 On the second Tuesday in July in any year in which a state office
946 election is held, and on each subsequent Tuesday until and including
947 the fourth Tuesday in October in such year, the campaign treasurer of
948 each candidate committee organized to aid or promote the success of a
949 candidate for nomination or election to a state office at such election
950 shall file with the Secretary of the State and the commission a
951 statement, sworn under penalty of false statement, of itemized receipts
952 and expenditures for the preceding seven calendar days. If a campaign
953 treasurer fails to file any statement required by this section (1) within
954 the time required, or (2) with both the Secretary of the State and the
955 commission, such campaign treasurer shall be subject to a civil penalty
956 imposed by the commission, of not more than one thousand dollars for
957 each such failure under subdivision (1) or (2) of this section.

958 Sec. 20. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention,*
959 *primary and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter*)
960 The Secretary of the State shall provide in electronic format, free of
961 charge, to each committee which receives moneys from the Citizens'
962 Election Fund pursuant to section 12 of this act, a copy of the
963 centralized computer list of registered voters in the state established
964 pursuant to the plan authorized under section 1 of special act 91-45.

965 Sec. 21. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention,*
966 *primary and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter*)
967 (a) Not later than March first in the year before any year in which a
968 state office election is to be held, the commission shall determine
969 whether the amount of moneys in the fund is sufficient to carry out the
970 purposes of sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 22, inclusive, and 36 and 37
971 of this act, based on the information available to the commission at
972 such time. If the commission determines at such time that the amount

973 of moneys in the fund is not sufficient to carry out such purposes, the
974 commission shall immediately issue a report. The General Assembly
975 may authorize alternative sources of funding sufficient to carry out the
976 purposes of sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 22, inclusive, and 36 and 37
977 of this act.

978 (b) Not later than January first in any year in which a state office
979 election is to be held, the commission shall determine whether the
980 amount of moneys in the fund is sufficient to carry out the purposes of
981 sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 22, inclusive, and 36 and 37 of this act. If
982 the commission determines that such amount is not sufficient to carry
983 out such purposes, the commission shall, not later than three days after
984 such later determination, (1) determine the percentage of the fund's
985 obligations that can be met for such election, (2) recalculate the amount
986 of each payment that a qualified candidate committee is entitled to
987 receive under section 10 or 11 of this act by multiplying such
988 percentage by the amount that the committee would have been
989 entitled to receive under section 10 or 11 of this act if there were a
990 sufficient amount of moneys in the fund, and (3) notify each applicant
991 for moneys from the fund of such insufficiency, percentage and
992 applicable recalculation. After a qualified candidate committee first
993 receives any such recalculated payment, the committee may resume
994 accepting contributions and making expenditures from such
995 contributions, provided no qualified candidate committee which
996 receives such recalculated payments from the fund shall accept
997 contributions in excess of the amount of moneys which the committee
998 was entitled to receive from the fund but did not receive from the
999 fund. The commission shall also issue a report on said determination.
1000 The General Assembly may authorize alternative sources of funding
1001 sufficient to carry out the purposes of sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 22,
1002 inclusive, and 36 and 37 of this act. If the commission issues such
1003 determination at a time when the General Assembly is not in session,
1004 the commission shall notify the president pro tempore of the Senate
1005 and the speaker of the House of Representatives who may call a
1006 special session of the General Assembly, in accordance with section 2-7

1007 of the general statutes, to consider authorizing such alternative sources
1008 of funding.

1009 (c) The commission shall establish a reserve account in the fund. The
1010 first twenty-five thousand dollars deposited in the fund during any
1011 year shall be placed in said account. The commission shall use moneys
1012 in the reserve account only during the seven days preceding an
1013 election for payments to candidates (1) whose payments were reduced
1014 under subsection (b) of this section, or (2) who are entitled to funding
1015 to match independent expenditures pursuant to section 18 of this act
1016 during said seven-day period.

1017 Sec. 22. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention,*
1018 *primary and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter*)
1019 A candidate of a candidate committee which receives moneys from the
1020 Citizens' Elections Fund may expend personal moneys in an aggregate
1021 amount not exceeding one thousand dollars to aid or promote the
1022 success of such candidate's campaign for nomination or election to a
1023 state office. Any such expenditure shall be made and reported in
1024 accordance with the provisions of sections 9-333i and 9-333j of the
1025 general statutes and shall be considered a qualifying contribution for
1026 the purposes of section 9 of this act.

1027 Sec. 23. Section 9-333a of the general statutes is repealed and the
1028 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2002, and*
1029 *applicable to convention, primary and general election campaigns for elections*
1030 *in 2006, and thereafter*):

1031 As used in this chapter and sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 22,
1032 inclusive, and 36 and 37 of this act:

1033 (1) "Committee" means a party committee, political committee or a
1034 candidate committee organized, as the case may be, for a single
1035 primary, election or referendum, or for ongoing political activities, to
1036 aid or promote the success or defeat of any political party, any one or
1037 more candidates for public office or the position of convention

1038 delegate or town committee member or any referendum question.

1039 (2) "Party committee" means a state central committee or a town
1040 committee. "Party committee" does not mean a party-affiliated or
1041 district, ward or borough committee which receives all of its funds
1042 from the state central committee of its party or from a single town
1043 committee with the same party affiliation. Any such committee so
1044 funded shall be construed to be a part of its state central or town
1045 committee for purposes of this chapter and sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6
1046 to 22, inclusive, and 36 and 37 of this act.

1047 (3) "Political committee" means (A) a committee organized by a
1048 business entity or organization, (B) persons other than individuals, or
1049 two or more individuals organized or acting jointly conducting their
1050 activities in or outside the state, (C) a committee established by a
1051 candidate to determine the particular public office to which [he] such
1052 candidate shall seek nomination or election, and referred to in this
1053 chapter as an exploratory committee, or (D) a committee established by
1054 or on behalf of a slate of candidates in a primary for the position of
1055 convention delegate, but does not mean a candidate committee or a
1056 party committee.

1057 (4) "Candidate committee" means any committee designated by a
1058 single candidate, or established with the consent, authorization or
1059 cooperation of a candidate, for the purpose of a single primary or
1060 election and to aid or promote [his] such candidate's candidacy alone
1061 for a particular public office or the position of town committee
1062 member, but does not mean a political committee or a party
1063 committee.

1064 (5) "National committee" means the organization which according to
1065 the bylaws of a political party is responsible for the day-to-day
1066 operation of the party at the national level.

1067 (6) "Organization" means all labor organizations, (A) as defined in
1068 the Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act of 1959, as from

1069 time to time amended, or (B) as defined in subdivision (9) of section
1070 31-101, employee organizations as defined in subsection (d) of section
1071 5-270 and subdivision (6) of section 7-467, bargaining representative
1072 organizations for teachers, any local, state or national organization, to
1073 which a labor organization pays membership or per capita fees, based
1074 upon its affiliation or membership, and trade or professional
1075 associations which receive their funds exclusively from membership
1076 dues, whether organized in or outside of this state, but does not mean
1077 a candidate committee, party committee or a political committee.

1078 (7) "Business entity" means the following, whether organized in or
1079 outside of this state: Stock corporations, banks, insurance companies,
1080 business associations, bankers associations, insurance associations,
1081 trade or professional associations which receive funds from
1082 membership dues and other sources, partnerships, joint ventures,
1083 private foundations, as defined in Section 509 of the Internal Revenue
1084 Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code
1085 of the United States, as from time to time amended; trusts or estates;
1086 corporations organized under sections 38a-175 to 38a-192, inclusive,
1087 38a-199 to 38a-209, inclusive, and 38a-214 to 38a-225, inclusive, and
1088 chapters 594 to 597, inclusive; cooperatives, and any other association,
1089 organization or entity which is engaged in the operation of a business
1090 or profit-making activity; but does not include professional service
1091 corporations organized under chapter 594a and owned by a single
1092 individual, nonstock corporations which are not engaged in business
1093 or profit-making activity, organizations, as defined in subdivision (6)
1094 of this section, candidate committees, party committees and political
1095 committees as defined in this section. For purposes of this chapter,
1096 corporations which are component members of a controlled group of
1097 corporations, as those terms are defined in Section 1563 of the Internal
1098 Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal
1099 revenue code of the United States, as from time to time amended, shall
1100 be deemed to be one corporation.

1101 (8) "Individual" means a human being, a sole proprietorship, or a

1102 professional service corporation organized under chapter 594a and
1103 owned by a single human being.

1104 (9) "Person" means an individual, committee, firm, partnership,
1105 organization, association, syndicate, company trust, corporation,
1106 limited liability company or any other legal entity of any kind but does
1107 not mean the state or any political or administrative subdivision of the
1108 state.

1109 (10) "Candidate" means an individual who seeks nomination for
1110 election or election to public office whether or not such individual is
1111 elected, and for the purposes of this chapter and sections 1 to 4,
1112 inclusive, 6 to 22, inclusive, and 36 and 37 of this act an individual
1113 shall be deemed to seek nomination for election or election if [he] such
1114 individual has (A) been endorsed by a party or become eligible for a
1115 position on the ballot at an election or primary, or (B) solicited or
1116 received contributions or made expenditures or given [his] such
1117 individual's consent to any other person to solicit or receive
1118 contributions or make expenditures with the intent to bring about [his]
1119 such individual's nomination for election or election to any such office.
1120 "Candidate" also means a slate of candidates which is to appear on the
1121 ballot in a primary for the position of convention delegate. For the
1122 purposes of sections 9-333 to 9-333l, inclusive, as amended by this act,
1123 and section 9-333w, "candidate" also means an individual who is a
1124 candidate in a primary for town committee members.

1125 (11) "Campaign treasurer" means the individual appointed by a
1126 candidate or by the [chairman] chairperson of a party committee or a
1127 political committee to receive and disburse funds on behalf of the
1128 candidate or committee.

1129 (12) "Deputy campaign treasurer" means the individual appointed
1130 by the candidate or by the [chairman] chairperson of a committee to
1131 serve in the capacity of the campaign treasurer if the campaign
1132 treasurer is unable to perform [his] the campaign treasurer's duties.

1133 (13) "Solicitor" means an individual appointed by a campaign
1134 treasurer of a committee to receive, but not to disburse, funds on
1135 behalf of the committee.

1136 (14) "Referendum question" means a question to be voted upon at
1137 any election or referendum, including a proposed constitutional
1138 amendment.

1139 (15) "Lobbyist" means a lobbyist as defined in subsection (l) of
1140 section 1-91.

1141 (16) "Business with which he is associated" means any business in
1142 which the contributor is a director, officer, owner, limited or general
1143 partner or holder of stock constituting five per cent or more of the total
1144 outstanding stock of any class. Officer refers only to the president,
1145 executive or senior vice-president or treasurer of such business.

1146 (17) "Independent expenditure" means an expenditure that is made
1147 without the consent, knowing participation, or consultation of, a
1148 candidate or agent of the candidate committee. "Independent
1149 expenditure" does not include an expenditure (A) if there is any
1150 coordination or direction with respect to the expenditure between the
1151 candidate or the treasurer, deputy treasurer or [chairman] chairperson
1152 of [his] such candidate committee and the person making the
1153 expenditure, or (B) if, during the same election cycle, the individual
1154 making the expenditure serves or has served as the treasurer, deputy
1155 treasurer or [chairman] chairperson of the candidate committee.

1156 (18) "Federal account" means a depository account that is subject to
1157 the disclosure and contribution limits provided under the Federal
1158 Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended from time to time.

1159 (19) "Public funds" means funds belonging to, or under the control
1160 of, the state or a political subdivision of the state.

1161 Sec. 24. Section 9-333b of the general statutes is repealed and the
1162 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2002, and*

1163 *applicable to convention, primary and general election campaigns for elections*
1164 *in 2006, and thereafter):*

1165 (a) As used in this chapter and sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 22,
1166 inclusive, and 36 and 37 of this act, "contribution" means:

1167 (1) Any gift, subscription, loan, advance, payment or deposit of
1168 money or anything of value, made for the purpose of influencing the
1169 nomination for election, or election, of any person or for the purpose of
1170 aiding or promoting the success or defeat of any referendum question
1171 or on behalf of any political party;

1172 (2) A written contract, promise or agreement to make a contribution
1173 for any such purpose;

1174 (3) The payment by any person, other than a candidate or campaign
1175 treasurer, of compensation for the personal services of any other
1176 person which are rendered without charge to a committee or candidate
1177 for any such purpose;

1178 (4) An expenditure when made by a person with the cooperation of,
1179 or in consultation with, any candidate, candidate committee or
1180 candidate's agent or which is made in concert with, or at the request or
1181 suggestion of, any candidate, candidate committee or candidate's
1182 agent; or

1183 (5) Funds received by a committee which are transferred from
1184 another committee or other source for any such purpose.

1185 (b) As used in this chapter and sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 22,
1186 inclusive, and 36 and 37 of this act, "contribution" does not mean:

1187 (1) A loan of money made in the ordinary course of business by a
1188 national or state bank;

1189 (2) Any communication made by a corporation, organization or
1190 association to its members, owners, stockholders, executive or

1191 administrative personnel, or their families;

1192 (3) Nonpartisan voter registration and get-out-the-vote campaigns
1193 by any corporation, organization or association aimed at its members,
1194 owners, stockholders, executive or administrative personnel, or their
1195 families;

1196 (4) Uncompensated services provided by individuals volunteering
1197 their time;

1198 (5) The use of real or personal property, and the cost of invitations,
1199 food or beverages, voluntarily provided by an individual to a
1200 candidate or on behalf of a state central or town committee, in
1201 rendering voluntary personal services for candidate or party-related
1202 activities at the individual's residence, to the extent that the cumulative
1203 value of the invitations, food or beverages provided by the individual
1204 on behalf of any single candidate does not exceed two hundred dollars
1205 with respect to any single election, and on behalf of all state central
1206 and town committees does not exceed four hundred dollars in any
1207 calendar year;

1208 (6) The sale of food or beverage for use in a candidate's campaign or
1209 for use by a state central or town committee at a discount, if the charge
1210 is not less than the cost to the vendor, to the extent that the cumulative
1211 value of the discount given to or on behalf of any single candidate does
1212 not exceed two hundred dollars with respect to any single election,
1213 and on behalf of all state central and town committees does not exceed
1214 four hundred dollars in a calendar year;

1215 (7) Any unreimbursed payment for travel expenses made by an
1216 individual who on [his] said individual's own behalf volunteers [his]
1217 said individual's personal services to any single candidate to the extent
1218 the cumulative value does not exceed two hundred dollars with
1219 respect to any single election, and on behalf of all state central or town
1220 committees does not exceed four hundred dollars in a calendar year;

1221 (8) The payment, by a party committee, political committee or an
1222 individual, of the costs of preparation, display, mailing or other
1223 distribution incurred by the committee or individual with respect to
1224 any printed slate card, sample ballot or other printed list containing
1225 the names of three or more candidates;

1226 (9) The donation of any item of personal property by an individual
1227 to a committee for a fund-raising affair, including a tag sale or auction,
1228 or the purchase by an individual of any such item at such an affair, to
1229 the extent that the cumulative value donated or purchased does not
1230 exceed fifty dollars;

1231 (10) The purchase of advertising space which clearly identifies the
1232 purchaser, in a program for a fund-raising affair, provided the
1233 cumulative purchase of such space does not exceed two hundred fifty
1234 dollars from any single candidate or [his] committee of any single
1235 candidate with respect to any single election campaign or two hundred
1236 fifty dollars from any single party committee or other political
1237 committee in any calendar year if the purchaser is a business entity or
1238 fifty dollars for purchases by any other person, except that the
1239 purchase of advertising space described in this subdivision shall be
1240 deemed to be a contribution for the purposes of sections 1 to 4,
1241 inclusive, 6 to 22, inclusive, and 36 and 37 of this act;

1242 (11) The payment of money by a candidate to [his] said individual's
1243 candidate committee;

1244 (12) The donation of goods or services by a business entity to a
1245 committee for a fund-raising affair, including a tag sale or auction, to
1246 the extent that the cumulative value donated does not exceed one
1247 hundred dollars;

1248 (13) The advance of a security deposit by an individual to a
1249 telephone company, as defined in section 16-1, as amended, for
1250 telecommunications service for a committee, provided the security
1251 deposit is refunded to the individual; or

1252 (14) The provision of facilities, equipment, technical and managerial
1253 support, and broadcast time by a community antenna television
1254 company, as defined in section 16-1, as amended, for community
1255 access programming pursuant to section 16-331a, unless (A) the major
1256 purpose of providing such facilities, equipment, support and time is to
1257 influence the nomination or election of a candidate or (B) such
1258 facilities, equipment, support and time are provided on behalf of a
1259 political party.

1260 Sec. 25. Subsection (a) of section 9-333e of the general statutes is
1261 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
1262 *1, 2002, and applicable to convention, primary and general election*
1263 *campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter*):

1264 (a) Statements filed by party committees, political committees
1265 formed to aid or promote the success or defeat of a referendum
1266 question proposing a constitutional convention, constitutional
1267 amendment or revision of the constitution, individual lobbyists, and
1268 those political committees and candidate committees formed to aid or
1269 promote the success or defeat of any candidate for the office of
1270 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer,
1271 Comptroller, Attorney General, judge of probate and members of the
1272 General Assembly, shall be filed with the office of the Secretary of the
1273 State. A copy of each statement filed by a candidate committee formed
1274 to aid or promote the success of any candidate for the office of
1275 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer,
1276 State Comptroller or Attorney General shall be filed at the same time
1277 with the commission. A copy of each statement filed by a town
1278 committee shall be filed at the same time with the town clerk of the
1279 municipality in which the committee is situated. A political committee
1280 formed for a slate of candidates in a primary for the position of
1281 convention delegate shall file statements with both the Secretary of the
1282 State and the town clerk of the municipality in which the primary is to
1283 be held.

1284 Sec. 26. Subsection (a) of section 9-333m of the general statutes is
1285 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
1286 *1, 2002, and applicable to convention, primary and general election*
1287 *campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter*):

1288 (a) No individual shall make a contribution or contributions to, for
1289 the benefit of, or pursuant to the authorization or request of, a
1290 candidate or a committee supporting or opposing any candidate's
1291 campaign for nomination at a primary, or any candidate's campaign
1292 for election, to the office of (1) Governor, in excess of [two thousand
1293 five hundred] one thousand dollars; (2) Lieutenant Governor,
1294 Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State Comptroller or Attorney
1295 General, in excess of [one thousand five hundred] seven hundred fifty
1296 dollars; (3) chief executive officer of a town, city or borough, in excess
1297 of one thousand dollars; (4) state senator or probate judge, in excess of
1298 five hundred dollars; or (5) state representative or any other office of a
1299 municipality not [previously] specifically included in this subsection,
1300 in excess of two hundred fifty dollars. [The] Except for contributions
1301 to, or for the benefit of, a candidate's campaign for the office of
1302 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer,
1303 State Comptroller or Attorney General, the limits imposed by this
1304 subsection shall be applied separately to primaries and elections.

1305 Sec. 27. Section 9-333n of the general statutes is repealed and the
1306 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2002, and*
1307 *applicable to convention, primary and general election campaigns for elections*
1308 *in 2006, and thereafter*):

1309 (a) No individual shall make a contribution or contributions in any
1310 one calendar year in excess of five thousand dollars to the state central
1311 committee of any party, or for the benefit of such committee pursuant
1312 to its authorization or request; or one thousand dollars to a town
1313 committee of any political party, or for the benefit of such committee
1314 pursuant to its authorization or request; or one thousand dollars to a
1315 political committee other than (1) a political committee formed solely

1316 to aid or promote the success or defeat of a referendum question, (2) an
1317 exploratory committee, (3) a political committee established by an
1318 organization, or for the benefit of such committee pursuant to its
1319 authorization or request, or (4) a political committee formed by a slate
1320 of candidates in a primary for the position of delegate to the same
1321 convention. No individual who makes a contribution to a party
1322 committee may direct such committee to contribute or expend any
1323 portion of such contribution to, or for the benefit of, any candidate's
1324 campaign for nomination or election to a state office, as defined in
1325 section 1 of this act.

1326 (b) No individual shall make a contribution to a political committee
1327 established by an organization which receives its funds from the
1328 organization's treasury. With respect to a political committee
1329 established by an organization which has complied with the provisions
1330 of subsection (b) or (c) of section 9-333p, and has elected to receive
1331 contributions, no individual other than a member of the organization
1332 may make contributions to the committee, in which case the individual
1333 may contribute not more than five hundred dollars in any one calendar
1334 year to such committee or for the benefit of such committee pursuant
1335 to its authorization or request.

1336 (c) In no event may any individual make contributions to a
1337 candidate committee and a political committee formed solely to
1338 support one candidate other than an exploratory committee or for the
1339 benefit of a candidate committee and a political committee formed
1340 solely to support one candidate pursuant to the authorization or
1341 request of any such committee, in an amount which in the aggregate is
1342 in excess of the maximum amount which may be contributed to the
1343 candidate.

1344 (d) Any individual may make unlimited contributions or
1345 expenditures to aid or promote the success or defeat of any
1346 referendum question, provided any individual who makes an
1347 expenditure or expenditures in excess of one thousand dollars to

1348 promote the success or defeat of any referendum question shall file
1349 statements according to the same schedule and in the same manner as
1350 is required of a campaign treasurer of a political committee under
1351 section 9-333j.

1352 (e) Any individual acting alone may, independent of any candidate,
1353 agent of the candidate, or committee, make unlimited expenditures to
1354 promote the success or defeat of any candidate's campaign for election,
1355 or nomination at a primary, to any office or position. [provided any]
1356 Except for an individual who is subject to the provisions of subsection
1357 (a) of section 18 of this act, any individual who makes an independent
1358 expenditure or expenditures in excess of one thousand dollars to
1359 promote the success or defeat of any candidate's campaign for election,
1360 or nomination at a primary, to any such office or position shall file
1361 statements according to the same schedule and in the same manner as
1362 [is] required of a campaign treasurer of a candidate committee under
1363 section 9-333j.

1364 (f) (1) As used in this subsection, "investment services" means legal
1365 services, investment banking services, investment advisory services,
1366 underwriting services, financial advisory services or brokerage firm
1367 services.

1368 (2) No individual who is an owner of a firm which provides
1369 investment services and to which the State Treasurer pays
1370 compensation, expenses or fees or issues a contract, and no individual
1371 who is employed by such a firm as a manager, officer, director, partner
1372 or employee with managerial or discretionary responsibilities to
1373 invest, manage funds or provide investment services for brokerage,
1374 underwriting and financial advisory activities which are in the
1375 statutory and constitutional purview of the State Treasurer, shall make
1376 a contribution on or after October 1, 1995, to, or solicit contributions on
1377 or after said date on behalf of, an exploratory committee or candidate
1378 committee established by a candidate for nomination or election to the
1379 office of the State Treasurer during the term of office of the State

1380 Treasurer which pays compensation, expenses or fees or issues a
1381 contract to such firm.

1382 (3) Neither the State Treasurer, the Deputy State Treasurer, any
1383 candidate for the office of Treasurer nor any member of the Investment
1384 Advisory Council established under section 3-13b may solicit
1385 contributions on behalf of an exploratory committee or candidate
1386 committee established by a candidate for nomination or election to any
1387 public office, from any individual who is an owner of a firm which
1388 provides investment services and to which the Treasurer pays
1389 compensation, expenses or fees or issues a contract, or from any
1390 individual who is employed by such a firm as a manager, officer,
1391 director, partner or employee with managerial or discretionary
1392 responsibilities to invest, manage funds or provide investment services
1393 for brokerage, underwriting and financial advisory activities which are
1394 in the statutory and constitutional purview of the Treasurer.

1395 (4) No member of the Investment Advisory Council appointed
1396 under section 3-13b shall make a contribution to, or solicit
1397 contributions on behalf of, an exploratory committee or candidate
1398 committee established by a candidate for nomination or election to the
1399 office of Treasurer.

1400 (5) No individual who is an owner of a firm which provides
1401 investment services and to which the Treasurer pays compensation,
1402 expenses or fees or issues a contract, and no individual who is
1403 employed by such a firm as a manager, officer, director, partner or
1404 employee with managerial or discretionary responsibilities to invest,
1405 manage funds or provide investment services for brokerage,
1406 underwriting and financial advisory activities which are in the
1407 statutory and constitutional purview of the Treasurer, may make a
1408 contribution to, or solicit contributions on behalf of, an exploratory
1409 committee or candidate committee established by a candidate for
1410 nomination or election to any public office.

1411 Sec. 28. Subsection (d) of section 9-333o of the general statutes is

1412 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
1413 *1, 2002, and applicable to convention, primary and general election*
1414 *campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter*):

1415 (d) A political committee organized by a business entity shall not
1416 make a contribution or contributions to or for the benefit of any
1417 candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary or any candidate's
1418 campaign for election to the office of: (1) Governor, in excess of [five]
1419 one thousand dollars; (2) Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State,
1420 State Treasurer, State Comptroller or Attorney General, in excess of
1421 [three thousand] seven hundred fifty dollars; (3) state senator, probate
1422 judge or chief executive officer of a town, city or borough, in excess of
1423 one thousand dollars; (4) state representative, in excess of five hundred
1424 dollars; [or] (5) any other office of a municipality not included in
1425 subdivision [(3)] (4) of this subsection, in excess of two hundred fifty
1426 dollars; or (6) an exploratory committee, in excess of two hundred fifty
1427 dollars. [The] Except for contributions to, or for the benefit of, a
1428 candidate's campaign for the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor,
1429 Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State Comptroller or Attorney
1430 General, the limits imposed by this subsection shall apply separately to
1431 primaries and elections, and contributions by any such committee to
1432 candidates designated in this subsection shall not exceed one hundred
1433 thousand dollars in the aggregate for any single election and primary
1434 preliminary thereto. Contributions to such committees shall also be
1435 subject to the provisions of section 9-333t, as amended by this act, in
1436 the case of committees formed for ongoing political activity or section
1437 9-333u, as amended by this act, in the case of committees formed for a
1438 single election or primary.

1439 Sec. 29. Section 9-333q of the general statutes is repealed and the
1440 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2002, and*
1441 *applicable to convention, primary and general election campaigns for elections*
1442 *in 2006, and thereafter*):

1443 (a) No political committee established by an organization shall

1444 make a contribution or contributions to, or for the benefit of, any
1445 candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary or for election to the
1446 office of: (1) Governor, in excess of [two thousand five hundred] one
1447 thousand dollars; (2) Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State
1448 Treasurer, State Comptroller or Attorney General, in excess of [one
1449 thousand five hundred] seven hundred fifty dollars; (3) chief executive
1450 officer of a town, city or borough, in excess of one thousand dollars; (4)
1451 state senator or probate judge, in excess of five hundred dollars; or (5)
1452 state representative or any other office of a municipality not
1453 [previously] specifically included in this subsection, in excess of two
1454 hundred fifty dollars.

1455 (b) No such committee shall make a contribution or contributions to,
1456 or for the benefit of, an exploratory committee, in excess of two
1457 hundred fifty dollars. Any such committee may make unlimited
1458 contributions to a political committee formed solely to aid or promote
1459 the success or defeat of a referendum question.

1460 (c) [The] Except for contributions to, or for the benefit of, a
1461 candidate's campaign for the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor,
1462 Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State Comptroller or Attorney
1463 General, the limits imposed by subsection (a) of this section shall apply
1464 separately to primaries and elections. [and no] No such committee
1465 shall make contributions to the candidates designated in this section
1466 which in the aggregate exceed fifty thousand dollars for any single
1467 election and primary preliminary thereto.

1468 (d) No political committee established by an organization shall
1469 make contributions in any one calendar year to, or for the benefit of, (1)
1470 the state central committee of a political party, in excess of five
1471 thousand dollars; (2) a town committee, in excess of one thousand
1472 dollars; or (3) any political committee, other than an exploratory
1473 committee or a committee formed solely to aid or promote the success
1474 or defeat of a referendum question, in excess of two thousand dollars.

1475 (e) No political committee established by an organization shall make

1476 contributions to the committees designated in subsection (d) of this
1477 section, which in the aggregate exceed fifteen thousand dollars in any
1478 one calendar year. Contributions to a political committee established
1479 by an organization shall also be subject to the provisions of section
1480 9-333t, as amended by this act, in the case of a committee formed for
1481 ongoing political activity or section 9-333u, as amended by this act, in
1482 the case of a committee formed for a single election or primary.

1483 Sec. 30. Section 9-333s of the general statutes is repealed and the
1484 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2002, and*
1485 *applicable to convention, primary and general election campaigns for elections*
1486 *in 2006, and thereafter*):

1487 (a) A party committee may make unlimited contributions to, or for
1488 the benefit of, any of the following: (1) Another party committee; (2) a
1489 candidate committee other than a candidate committee established to
1490 aid or promote the success of one candidate for nomination at a
1491 primary or election to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor,
1492 Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State Comptroller or Attorney
1493 General; (3) a national committee of a political party; (4) a committee of
1494 a candidate for federal or out-of-state office; or (5) a political
1495 committee.

1496 (b) (1) No state central committee shall make a contribution in
1497 excess of (A) fifty thousand dollars to a candidate committee
1498 established to aid or promote the success of one candidate for
1499 nomination at a primary or election to the office of Governor, and (B)
1500 ten thousand dollars to a candidate committee established to aid or
1501 promote the success of one candidate for nomination at a primary or
1502 election to the office of Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State,
1503 State Treasurer, State Comptroller or Attorney General.

1504 (2) No town committee shall make a contribution in excess of (A)
1505 one thousand dollars to a candidate committee established to aid or
1506 promote the success of one candidate for nomination at a primary or
1507 election to the office of Governor, and (B) five hundred dollars to a

1508 candidate committee established to aid or promote the success of one
1509 candidate for nomination at a primary or election to the office of
1510 Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State
1511 Comptroller or Attorney General.

1512 (3) The limits imposed by this subsection shall not apply separately
1513 to primaries and elections.

1514 (c) (1) No candidate committee of a candidate for nomination or
1515 election to the office of Governor shall receive more than (A) fifty
1516 thousand dollars, in total, from state central committees, and (B)
1517 seventy-five thousand dollars, in total, from town committees.

1518 (2) No candidate committee of a candidate for nomination or
1519 election to the office of Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State
1520 Comptroller, State Treasurer or Secretary of the State shall receive
1521 more than (A) ten thousand dollars, in total, from state central
1522 committees, and (B) twenty thousand dollars, in total, from town
1523 committees.

1524 (3) The limits imposed by this subsection shall not apply separately
1525 to primaries and elections.

1526 (d) A party committee may also make contributions to a charitable
1527 organization which is a tax-exempt organization under Section
1528 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as from time to time amended,
1529 or make memorial contributions.

1530 [(b)] (e) A party committee may receive contributions from a federal
1531 account of a national committee of a political party, but may not
1532 receive contributions from any other account of a national committee
1533 of a political party or from a committee of a candidate for federal or
1534 out-of-state office, for use in the election of candidates subject to the
1535 provisions of this chapter.

1536 Sec. 31. Section 9-333t of the general statutes is repealed and the
1537 following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July 1, 2002, and

1538 *applicable to convention, primary and general election campaigns for elections*
1539 *in 2006, and thereafter):*

1540 (a) No political committee organized for ongoing political activities
1541 shall make contributions to, or for the benefit of, any candidate's
1542 campaign for nomination at a primary or for election to the office of:
1543 (1) Governor, in excess of one thousand dollars; or (2) Lieutenant
1544 Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State Comptroller or
1545 Attorney General, in excess of seven hundred fifty dollars. The limits
1546 imposed by this subsection shall not apply separately to primaries and
1547 elections.

1548 [(a)] (b) A political committee organized for ongoing political
1549 activities may make unlimited contributions to, or for the benefit of, a
1550 party committee; any national committee of a political party; a
1551 candidate committee other than a candidate committee established to
1552 aid or promote the success of one candidate for nomination at a
1553 primary or election to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor,
1554 Attorney General, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer or State
1555 Comptroller; or a committee of a candidate for federal or out-of-state
1556 office. No such political committee shall make a contribution or
1557 contributions in excess of two thousand dollars to another political
1558 committee in any calendar year except that a political committee
1559 organized by a business entity may make unlimited contributions to,
1560 or for the benefit of, another political committee organized by a
1561 business entity. No political committee organized for ongoing political
1562 activities shall make a contribution in excess of two hundred fifty
1563 dollars to an exploratory committee. If such an ongoing committee is
1564 established by an organization or a business entity, its contributions
1565 shall be subject to the limits imposed by sections 9-333o to 9-333q,
1566 inclusive, as amended by this act. A political committee organized for
1567 ongoing political activities may make contributions to a charitable
1568 organization which is a tax-exempt organization under Section
1569 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as from time to time amended,
1570 or make memorial contributions.

1571 [(b)] (c) A political committee organized for ongoing political
1572 activities may receive contributions from the federal account of a
1573 national committee of a political party, but may not receive
1574 contributions from any other account of a national committee of a
1575 political party or from a committee of a candidate for federal or
1576 out-of-state office.

1577 Sec. 32. Section 9-333u of the general statutes is repealed and the
1578 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2002, and*
1579 *applicable to convention, primary and general election campaigns for elections*
1580 *in 2006, and thereafter*):

1581 (a) No political committee established for a single primary or
1582 election shall make contributions to, or for the benefit of, any
1583 candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary or for election to the
1584 office of: (1) Governor, in excess of one thousand dollars; or (2)
1585 Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State
1586 Comptroller or Attorney General, in excess of seven hundred fifty
1587 dollars. The limits imposed by this subsection shall not apply
1588 separately to primaries and elections.

1589 [(a)] (b) A political committee established for a single primary or
1590 election may make unlimited contributions to, or for the benefit of, a
1591 party committee or a candidate committee other than a candidate
1592 committee established to aid or promote the success of one candidate
1593 for nomination at a primary or election to the office of Governor,
1594 Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Secretary of the State, State
1595 Treasurer or State Comptroller, but no such political committee shall
1596 make contributions to a national committee, or a committee of a
1597 candidate for federal or out-of-state office. If such a political committee
1598 is established by an organization or a business entity, its contributions
1599 shall also be subject to the limitations imposed by sections 9-333o to
1600 9-333q, inclusive, as amended by this act. No political committee
1601 formed for a single election or primary shall, with respect to such
1602 election or primary make a contribution or contributions in excess of

1603 two thousand dollars to another political committee, provided no such
1604 political committee shall make a contribution in excess of two hundred
1605 fifty dollars to an exploratory committee.

1606 [(b)] (c) A political committee established for a single primary or
1607 election shall not receive contributions from a committee of a
1608 candidate for federal or out-of-state office or from a national
1609 committee.

1610 Sec. 33. Subsection (b) of section 9-333y of the general statutes is
1611 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
1612 *1, 2002, and applicable to convention, primary and general election*
1613 *campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter*):

1614 (b) If any campaign treasurer or lobbyist fails to file the statements
1615 required by section 9-333j or subsection (g) of section 9-333l, as the case
1616 may be, within the time required, [he] the campaign treasurer or
1617 lobbyist shall pay a late filing fee of fifty-five dollars. In the case of a
1618 statement that is required to be filed with the Secretary of the State, the
1619 secretary shall, within ten days after the filing deadline, notify by
1620 certified mail, return receipt requested, the person required to file that,
1621 if such statement is not filed within twenty-one days after the deadline,
1622 the person is in violation of said section or subsection. If the person
1623 does not file such statement within twenty-one days after the deadline,
1624 the secretary shall notify the State Elections Enforcement Commission
1625 within twenty-eight days after the deadline. In the case of a copy of a
1626 statement that is required to be filed with the State Elections
1627 Enforcement Commission, the commission shall, not later than ten
1628 days after the filing deadline, notify by certified mail, return receipt
1629 requested, the person required to file that if such statement is not filed
1630 within twenty-one days after the deadline the person is in violation of
1631 section 9-333j. In the case of a statement that is required to be filed with
1632 a town clerk, the town clerk shall forthwith after the filing deadline
1633 notify by certified mail, return receipt requested, the person required
1634 to file that, if such statement is not filed within seven days after

1635 receiving such notice, the town clerk shall notify the State Elections
1636 Enforcement Commission that the person is in violation of said section
1637 or subsection. The penalty for any violation of said section or
1638 subsection shall be a fine of not more than one thousand dollars or
1639 imprisonment for not more than one year or both.

1640 Sec. 34. Section 9-7b of the general statutes, as amended by section
1641 15 of public act 01-195, is repealed and the following is substituted in
1642 lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention, primary*
1643 *and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter*):

1644 (a) The State Elections Enforcement Commission shall have the
1645 following duties and powers:

1646 (1) To make investigations on its own initiative or with respect to
1647 statements filed with the commission by the Secretary of the State or
1648 any town clerk, or upon written complaint under oath by any
1649 individual, with respect to alleged violations of any provision of the
1650 general statutes or sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 22, inclusive, and 36
1651 and 37 of this act, relating to any election or referendum, any primary
1652 held pursuant to section 9-423, 9-424, 9-425 or 9-464 or any primary
1653 held pursuant to a special act, and to hold hearings when the
1654 commission deems necessary to investigate violations of any
1655 provisions of the general statutes or sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 22,
1656 inclusive, and 36 and 37 of this act, relating to any such election,
1657 primary or referendum, and for the purpose of such hearings the
1658 commission may administer oaths, examine witnesses and receive oral
1659 and documentary evidence, and shall have the power to subpoena
1660 witnesses under procedural rules the commission shall adopt, to
1661 compel their attendance and to require the production for examination
1662 of any books and papers which the commission deems relevant to any
1663 matter under investigation or in question. In connection with its
1664 investigation of any alleged violation of any provision of chapter 145,
1665 or of any provision of section 9-359 or section 9-359a, the commission
1666 shall also have the power to subpoena any municipal clerk and to

1667 require the production for examination of any absentee ballot, inner
1668 and outer envelope from which any such ballot has been removed,
1669 depository envelope containing any such ballot or inner or outer
1670 envelope as provided in sections 9-150a and 9-150b and any other
1671 record, form or document as provided in section 9-150b, in connection
1672 with the election, primary or referendum to which the investigation
1673 relates. In case of a refusal to comply with any subpoena issued
1674 pursuant to this subsection or to testify with respect to any matter
1675 upon which that person may be lawfully interrogated, the superior
1676 court for the judicial district of Hartford, on application of the
1677 commission, may issue an order requiring such person to comply with
1678 such subpoena and to testify; failure to obey any such order of the
1679 court may be punished by the court as a contempt thereof. In any
1680 matter under investigation which concerns the operation or inspection
1681 of or outcome recorded on any voting machine, the commission may
1682 issue an order to the municipal clerk to impound such machine until
1683 the investigation is completed;

1684 (2) To levy a civil penalty not to exceed (A) two thousand dollars
1685 per offense against any person the commission finds to be in violation
1686 of any provision of chapter 145, part V of chapter 146, part I of chapter
1687 147, chapter 148, section 9-12, subsection (a) of section 9-17, section
1688 9-19b, 9-19e, 9-19g, 9-19h, as amended, 9-19i, 9-20, 9-21, 9-23a, 9-23g,
1689 9-23h, 9-23j to 9-23o, inclusive, 9-26, 9-31a, 9-32, 9-35, 9-35b, 9-35c,
1690 9-40a, 9-42, 9-43, 9-50a, 9-56, 9-59, 9-168d, 9-170, 9-171, 9-172, 9-409,
1691 9-410, 9-412, 9-436, 9-436a, 9-453e to 9-453h, inclusive, 9-453k, [or]
1692 9-453o or sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 22, inclusive, and 36 and 37 of
1693 this act, or (B) two thousand dollars per offense or twice the amount of
1694 any improper payment or contribution, whichever is greater, against
1695 any person the commission finds to be in violation of any provision of
1696 chapter 150. The commission may levy a civil penalty against any
1697 person under subparagraph (A) or (B) of this subdivision only after
1698 giving the person an opportunity to be heard at a hearing conducted in
1699 accordance with sections 4-176e to 4-184, inclusive. In the case of
1700 failure to pay any such penalty levied pursuant to this subsection

1701 [within] not later than thirty days of written notice sent by certified or
1702 registered mail to such person, the superior court for the judicial
1703 district of Hartford, on application of the commission, may issue an
1704 order requiring such person to pay the penalty imposed and such
1705 court costs, state marshal's fees and attorney's fees incurred by the
1706 commission as the court may determine. Any civil penalties paid,
1707 collected or recovered under subparagraph (B) of this subdivision for a
1708 violation of any provision of chapter 150 applying to the office of the
1709 Treasurer shall be deposited on a pro rata basis in any trust funds, as
1710 defined in section 3-13c, affected by such violation;

1711 (3) (A) To issue an order requiring any person the commission finds
1712 to have received any contribution or payment which is prohibited by
1713 any of the provisions of chapter 150, after an opportunity to be heard
1714 at a hearing conducted in accordance with the provisions of sections
1715 4-176e to 4-184, inclusive, to return such contribution or payment to
1716 the donor or payor, or to remit such contribution or payment to the
1717 state for deposit in the General Fund, whichever is deemed necessary
1718 to effectuate the purposes of chapter 150;

1719 (B) To issue an order when the commission finds that an intentional
1720 violation of any provision of chapter 150 has been committed, after an
1721 opportunity to be heard at a hearing conducted in accordance with
1722 sections 4-176e to 4-184, inclusive, which order may contain one or
1723 more of the following sanctions: (i) Removal of a campaign treasurer,
1724 deputy campaign treasurer or solicitor; or (ii) prohibition on serving as
1725 a campaign treasurer, deputy campaign treasurer or solicitor, for a
1726 period not to exceed four years;

1727 (C) To issue an order revoking any person's eligibility to be
1728 appointed or serve as an election, primary or referendum official or
1729 unofficial checker or in any capacity at the polls on the day of an
1730 election, primary or referendum, when the commission finds such
1731 person has intentionally violated any provision of the general statutes
1732 relating to the conduct of an election, primary or referendum, after an

1733 opportunity to be heard at a hearing conducted in accordance with
1734 sections 4-176e to 4-184, inclusive;

1735 (4) To issue an order to a candidate committee which receives
1736 moneys from the Citizens' Election Fund pursuant to sections 1 to 4,
1737 inclusive, 6 to 22, inclusive, and 36 and 37 of this act, to comply with
1738 the provisions of said sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 22, inclusive, and
1739 36 and 37, after an opportunity to be heard at a hearing conducted in
1740 accordance with the provisions of sections 4-176e to 4-184, inclusive;

1741 ~~[(4)]~~ (5) To inspect or audit at any reasonable time and upon
1742 reasonable notice the accounts or records of any campaign treasurer or
1743 principal campaign treasurer, as required by chapter 150 and sections 1
1744 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 22, inclusive, and 36 and 37 of this act, and to audit
1745 any such election, primary or referendum held within the state;
1746 provided, it shall not audit any caucus, as defined in subdivision (1) of
1747 section 9-372;

1748 ~~[(5)]~~ (6) To attempt to secure voluntary compliance, [by informal
1749 methods of conference, conciliation and persuasion,] with any
1750 provision of chapters 149 to 153, inclusive, or any other provision of
1751 the general statutes relating to any such election, primary or
1752 referendum by informal methods of conference, conciliation and
1753 persuasion;

1754 ~~[(6)]~~ (7) To consult with the Secretary of the State, the Chief State's
1755 Attorney or the Attorney General on any matter which the commission
1756 deems appropriate;

1757 ~~[(7)]~~ (8) To refer to the Chief State's Attorney evidence bearing upon
1758 violation of any provision of chapters 149 to 153, inclusive, or any
1759 other provision of the general statutes or sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to
1760 22, inclusive, and 36 and 37 of this act, pertaining to or relating to any
1761 such election, primary or referendum;

1762 ~~[(8)]~~ (9) To refer to the Attorney General evidence for injunctive

1763 relief and any other ancillary equitable relief in the circumstances of
1764 subdivision [(7)] (8) of this [section] subsection. Nothing in this
1765 subdivision shall preclude a person who claims that [he] such person is
1766 aggrieved by a violation of any provision of chapter 152 or any other
1767 provision of the general statutes relating to referenda from pursuing
1768 injunctive and any other ancillary equitable relief directly from the
1769 Superior Court by the filing of a complaint;

1770 [(9)] (10) To refer to the Attorney General evidence pertaining to any
1771 ruling which the commission finds to be in error made by election
1772 officials in connection with any election, primary or referendum. Those
1773 remedies and procedures available to parties claiming to be aggrieved
1774 under the provisions of sections 9-323, 9-324, as amended by this act,
1775 9-328 and 9-329a shall apply to any complaint brought by the Attorney
1776 General as a result of the provisions of this subdivision;

1777 [(10)] (11) To consult with the United States Department of Justice
1778 and the United States Attorney for Connecticut on any investigation
1779 pertaining to a violation of this section, section 9-12, subsection (a) of
1780 section 9-17 or section 9-19b, 9-19e, 9-19g, 9-19h, as amended, 9-19i,
1781 9-20, 9-21, 9-23a, 9-23g, 9-23h, 9-23j to 9-23o, inclusive, 9-26, 9-31a, 9-32,
1782 9-35, 9-35b, 9-35c, 9-40a, 9-42, 9-43, 9-50a, 9-56 or 9-59 and to refer to
1783 said department and attorney evidence bearing upon any such
1784 violation for prosecution under the provisions of the National Voter
1785 Registration Act of 1993, P.L. 103-31, as amended from time to time;

1786 [(11)] (12) To inspect reports filed with the Secretary of the State and
1787 with town clerks pursuant to chapter 150 and refer to the Chief State's
1788 Attorney evidence bearing upon any violation of law therein if such
1789 violation was committed knowingly and wilfully;

1790 [(12)] (13) To intervene in any action brought pursuant to the
1791 provisions of sections 9-323, 9-324, as amended by this act, 9-328 and
1792 9-329a upon application to the court in which such action is brought
1793 when in the opinion of the court it is necessary to preserve evidence of
1794 possible criminal violation of the election laws;

1795 [(13)] ~~(14)~~ To adopt and publish regulations pursuant to chapter 54
1796 to carry out the provisions of section 9-7a, this section, sections 1 to 4,
1797 inclusive, 6 to 22, inclusive, and 36 and 37 of this act, and chapter 150;
1798 to issue upon request and publish advisory opinions in the
1799 Connecticut Law Journal upon the requirements of chapter 150 and
1800 sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 22, inclusive, and 36 and 37 of this act,
1801 and to make recommendations to the General Assembly concerning
1802 suggested revisions of the election laws;

1803 [(14)] ~~(15)~~ To the extent that the Elections Enforcement Commission
1804 is involved in the investigation of alleged or suspected criminal
1805 violations of any provision of the general statutes or sections 1 to 4,
1806 inclusive, 6 to 22, inclusive, and 36 and 37 of this act, pertaining to or
1807 relating to any such election, primary or referendum and is engaged in
1808 such investigation for the purpose of presenting evidence to the Chief
1809 State's Attorney, the Elections Enforcement Commission shall be
1810 deemed a law enforcement agency for purposes of subdivision (3) of
1811 subsection (b) of section 1-210, provided nothing in this section shall be
1812 construed to exempt the Elections Enforcement Commission in any
1813 other respect from the requirements of the Freedom of Information
1814 Act, as defined in section 1-200;

1815 [(15)] ~~(16)~~ To enter into such contractual agreements as may be
1816 necessary for the discharge of its duties, within the limits of its
1817 appropriated funds and in accordance with established procedures;
1818 and

1819 [(16)] ~~(17)~~ To provide the Secretary of the State with notice and
1820 copies of all decisions rendered by the commission in contested cases,
1821 advisory opinions and declaratory judgments, at the time such
1822 decisions, judgments and opinions are made or issued.

1823 (b) In the case of a refusal to comply with an order of the
1824 commission issued pursuant to subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of this
1825 section, the superior court for the judicial district of Hartford, on
1826 application of the commission, may issue a further order to comply.

1827 Failure to obey such further order may be punished by the court as a
1828 contempt thereof.

1829 Sec. 35. Section 9-324 of the general statutes is repealed and the
1830 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2002, and*
1831 *applicable to convention, primary and general election campaigns for elections*
1832 *in 2006, and thereafter*):

1833 Any elector or candidate who claims that [he] such elector or
1834 candidate is aggrieved by any ruling of any election official in
1835 connection with any election for Governor, Lieutenant Governor,
1836 Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, Attorney General, State
1837 Comptroller, or judge of probate, held in [his] such elector or
1838 candidate's town, or that there has been a mistake in the count of the
1839 votes cast at such election for candidates for said offices or any of
1840 them, at any voting district in [his] such elector or candidate's town, or
1841 any candidate for such an office who claims that [he] such candidate is
1842 aggrieved by a violation of any provision of [sections] section 9-355,
1843 9-357 to 9-361, inclusive, 9-364, 9-364a or 9-365 in the casting of
1844 absentee ballots at such election or any candidate for the office of
1845 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer,
1846 Attorney General or State Comptroller, who claims that such candidate
1847 is aggrieved by a violation of any provision of sections 1 to 4, inclusive,
1848 6 to 22, inclusive, and 36 and 37 of this act, may bring [his] such elector
1849 or candidate's complaint to any judge of the Superior Court, in which
1850 [he] such elector or candidate shall set out the claimed errors of such
1851 election official, the claimed errors in the count or the claimed
1852 violations of said sections. In any action brought pursuant to the
1853 provisions of this section, the complainant shall send a copy of the
1854 complaint by first-class mail, or deliver a copy of the complaint by
1855 hand, to the State Elections Enforcement Commission. If such
1856 complaint is made prior to such election, such judge shall proceed
1857 expeditiously to render judgment on the complaint and shall cause
1858 notice of the hearing to be given to the Secretary of the State and the
1859 State Elections Enforcement Commission. If such complaint is made

1860 subsequent to the election, it shall be brought [within] not later than
1861 fourteen days of the election and such judge shall forthwith order a
1862 hearing to be had upon such complaint, upon a day not more than five
1863 nor less than three days from the making of such order, and shall cause
1864 notice of not less than three nor more than five days to be given to any
1865 candidate or candidates whose election may be affected by the decision
1866 upon such hearing, to such election official, the Secretary of the State,
1867 the State Elections Enforcement Commission and to any other party or
1868 parties whom such judge deems proper parties thereto, of the time and
1869 place for the hearing upon such complaint. Such judge shall, on the
1870 day fixed for such hearing and without unnecessary delay, proceed to
1871 hear the parties. If sufficient reason is shown, [he] such judge may
1872 order any voting machines to be unlocked or any ballot boxes to be
1873 opened and a recount of the votes cast, including absentee ballots, to
1874 be made. Such judge shall thereupon, in case [he] such judge finds any
1875 error in the rulings of the election official, any mistake in the count of
1876 the votes or any violation of said sections, certify the result of [his]
1877 such judge's finding or decision to the Secretary of the State before the
1878 fifteenth day of the next succeeding December. Such judge may order a
1879 new election or a change in the existing election schedule. Such
1880 certificate of such judge of [his] such judge's finding or decision shall
1881 be final and conclusive upon all questions relating to errors in the
1882 rulings of such election officials, to the correctness of such count, and,
1883 for the purposes of this section only, such claimed violations, and shall
1884 operate to correct the returns of the moderators or presiding officers,
1885 so as to conform to such finding or decision, unless the same is
1886 appealed from as provided in section 9-325.

1887 Sec. 36. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention,*
1888 *primary and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter*)
1889 (a) Not later than May 15, 2006, and annually thereafter, the State
1890 Elections Enforcement Commission shall issue a report on the status of
1891 the Citizens' Election Fund during the previous calendar year. Such
1892 report shall include the amount of moneys deposited in the fund, the
1893 sources of moneys received by category, the number of contributions,

1894 the number of contributors, the amount of moneys expended by
1895 category, the recipients of moneys distributed from the fund and an
1896 accounting of the costs incurred by the commission in administering
1897 the provisions of sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 22, inclusive, and 36
1898 and 37 of this act. Not later than May 1, 2006, and annually thereafter,
1899 the Commissioner of Revenue Services shall submit to the commission
1900 the information in the possession of the commissioner which the
1901 commission needs to complete such report.

1902 (b) Not later than June 1, 2006, and annually thereafter, the joint
1903 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of
1904 matters relating to elections shall submit a report to the General
1905 Assembly on the implementation of the provisions of this act. The
1906 report shall include (1) a summary of the report on the status of the
1907 fund submitted to the committee under subsection (a) of this section,
1908 and (2) any recommendations for amending the provisions of this act,
1909 including, but not limited to, extending the provisions of sections 1 to
1910 4, inclusive, 6 to 22, inclusive, and 36 and 37 of this act to other elected
1911 offices. The report submitted not later than June 1, 2007, and every four
1912 years thereafter, shall also include a review of the implementation of
1913 the provisions of this act with regard to the election held during the
1914 preceding calendar year for the offices of Governor, Lieutenant
1915 Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer and
1916 Secretary of the State.

1917 Sec. 37. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention,*
1918 *primary and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter*)
1919 If a court of competent jurisdiction determines that any provision of
1920 this act is unconstitutional, such action shall not affect the
1921 implementation of all remaining provisions of this act.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention, primary and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter</i>

Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention, primary and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter</i>
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2002, and applicable to taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2002</i>
Sec. 4	<i>July 1, 2002, and applicable to taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2002</i>
Sec. 5	<i>July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention, primary and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter</i>
Sec. 6	<i>July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention, primary and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter</i>
Sec. 7	<i>July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention, primary and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter</i>
Sec. 8	<i>July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention, primary and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter</i>
Sec. 9	<i>July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention, primary and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter</i>
Sec. 10	<i>July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention, primary and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter</i>
Sec. 11	<i>July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention, primary and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter</i>
Sec. 12	<i>July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention, primary and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter</i>
Sec. 13	<i>July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention, primary and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter</i>
Sec. 14	<i>July 1, 2002, and applicable to convention, primary and general election campaigns for elections in 2006, and thereafter</i>
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[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]