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(As Amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A")

"AN ACT CONCERNING THE SEVERABILITY OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM LEGISLATION."

1 Strike section 1 and insert the following in lieu thereof:

2 "Section 1. Section 9-717 of the 2006 supplement to the general
3 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
4 (*Effective from passage*):

5 If a court of competent jurisdiction prohibits or limits the
6 expenditure of funds from the Citizens' Election Fund established in
7 section 9-701 for grants or moneys for candidate committees
8 authorized under sections 9-700 to 9-716, inclusive, for a period of

9 [seventy-two hours] one year or more, (1) sections 1-100b, 9-700 to 9-
10 716, inclusive, 9-750, 9-751 and 9-760 and section 49 of public act 05-5
11 of the October 25 special session* shall be inoperative and have no
12 effect, and (2) (A) the amendments made to the provisions of the
13 sections of the general statutes pursuant to public act 05-5 of the
14 October 25 special session** shall be inoperative, (B) the provisions of
15 said sections of the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to
16 December 30, 2006, shall be effective, and (C) the provisions of
17 subsections (g) to (j), inclusive, of section 9-333n shall not be
18 implemented."

19 Strike section 3 in its entirety and insert the following in lieu thereof:

20 "Sec. 3. Section 9-705 of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes
21 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
22 *December 31, 2006, and applicable to elections held on and after said date*):

23 (a) (1) The qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate
24 for the office of Governor who has a primary for nomination to said
25 office shall be eligible to receive a grant from the Citizens' Election
26 Fund for the primary campaign in the amount of one million two
27 hundred fifty thousand one hundred dollars, provided, in the case of a
28 primary held in 2014, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted
29 under subsection (d) of this section.

30 (2) The qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate for
31 the office of Governor who has been nominated shall be eligible to
32 receive a grant from the fund for the general election campaign in the
33 amount of three million one hundred dollars, provided in the case of
34 an election held in 2014, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted
35 under subsection (d) of this section.

36 (b) (1) The qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate
37 for the office of Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State
38 Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State Treasurer who has a
39 primary for nomination to said office shall be eligible to receive a grant
40 from the fund for the primary campaign in the amount of three

41 hundred seventy-five thousand one hundred dollars, provided, in the
42 case of a primary held in 2014, or thereafter, said amount shall be
43 adjusted under subsection (d) of this section.

44 (2) The qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate for
45 the office of Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State
46 or State Treasurer who has been nominated shall be eligible to receive
47 a grant from the fund for the general election campaign in the amount
48 of seven hundred fifty thousand one hundred dollars, provided in the
49 case of an election held in 2014, or thereafter, said amount shall be
50 adjusted under subsection (d) of this section.

51 (c) (1) The qualified candidate committee of an eligible minor party
52 candidate for the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney
53 General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State Treasurer
54 shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the general
55 election campaign. [if the candidate of the same minor party for the
56 same office at the last preceding regular election received at least ten
57 per cent of the whole number of votes cast for all candidates for said
58 office at said election.] The amount of the grant shall be [one-third of]
59 the amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection
60 (a) or (b) of this section for a major party candidate for the same office,
61 [, provided (A) if the candidate of the same minor party for the same
62 office at the last preceding regular election received at least fifteen per
63 cent of the whole number of votes cast for all candidates for said office
64 at said election, the amount of the grant shall be two-thirds of the
65 amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection (a) or
66 (b) of this section for a major party candidate for the same office, (B) if
67 the candidate of the same minor party for the same office at the last
68 preceding regular election received at least twenty per cent of the
69 whole number of votes cast for all candidates for said office at said
70 election, the amount of the grant shall be the same as the amount of the
71 general election campaign grant under subsection (a) or (b) of this
72 section for a major party candidate for the same office, and (C) in] In
73 the case of an election held in 2014, or thereafter, said [amounts]
74 amount shall be adjusted under subsection (d) of this section.

75 (2) The qualified candidate committee of an eligible petitioning
76 party candidate for the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor,
77 Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State
78 Treasurer shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the
79 general election campaign. [if said candidate's nominating petition has
80 been signed by a number of qualified electors equal to at least ten per
81 cent of the whole number of votes cast for the same office at the last
82 preceding regular election.] The amount of the grant shall be [one-
83 third of] the amount of the general election campaign grant under
84 subsection (a) or (b) of this section for a major party candidate for the
85 same office. [, provided (A) if said candidate's nominating petition has
86 been signed by a number of qualified electors equal to at least fifteen
87 per cent of the whole number of votes cast for the same office at the
88 last preceding regular election, the amount of the grant shall be two-
89 thirds of the amount of the general election campaign grant under
90 subsection (a) or (b) of this section for a major party candidate for the
91 same office, (B) if said candidate's nominating petition has been signed
92 by a number of qualified electors equal to at least twenty per cent of
93 the whole number of votes cast for the same office at the last preceding
94 regular election, the amount of the grant shall be the same as the
95 amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection (a) or
96 (b) of this section for a major party candidate for the same office, and
97 (C) in] In the case of an election held in 2014, or thereafter, said
98 [amounts] amount shall be adjusted under subsection (d) of this
99 section.

100 (d) For elections held in 2014, and thereafter, the amount of the
101 grants in subsections (a), (b) and (c) of this section shall be adjusted by
102 the State Elections Enforcement Commission not later than January 15,
103 2014, and quadrennially thereafter, in accordance with any change in
104 the consumer price index for all urban consumers as published by the
105 United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, during
106 the period beginning on January 1, 2010, and ending on December
107 thirty-first in the year preceding the year in which said adjustment is
108 to be made.

109 (e) (1) The qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate
110 for the office of state senator who has a primary for nomination to said
111 office shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the primary
112 campaign in the amount of thirty-five thousand one hundred dollars,
113 provided (A) if the percentage of the electors in the district served by
114 said office who are enrolled in said major party exceeds the percentage
115 of the electors in said district who are enrolled in another major party
116 by at least twenty percentage points, the amount of said grant shall be
117 seventy-five thousand one hundred dollars, and (B) in the case of a
118 primary held in 2010, or thereafter, said amounts shall be adjusted
119 under subsection (h) of this section. For the purposes of subparagraph
120 (A) of this subdivision, the number of enrolled members of a major
121 party and the number of electors in a district shall be determined by
122 the latest enrollment and voter registration records in the office of the
123 Secretary of the State submitted in accordance with the provisions of
124 section 9-65. The names of electors on the inactive registry list
125 compiled under section 9-35 shall not be counted for such purposes.

126 (2) The qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate for
127 the office of state senator who has been nominated shall be eligible to
128 receive a grant from the fund for the general election campaign in the
129 amount of eighty-five thousand one hundred dollars, provided in the
130 case of an election held in 2010, or thereafter, said amount shall be
131 adjusted under subsection (h) of this section.

132 (f) (1) The qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate
133 for the office of state representative who has a primary for nomination
134 to said office shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the
135 primary campaign in the amount of ten thousand one hundred dollars,
136 provided (A) if the percentage of the electors in the district served by
137 said office who are enrolled in said major party exceeds the percentage
138 of the electors in said district who are enrolled in another major party
139 by at least twenty percentage points, the amount of said grant shall be
140 twenty-five thousand one hundred dollars, and (B) in the case of a
141 primary held in 2010, or thereafter, said amounts shall be adjusted
142 under subsection (h) of this section. For the purposes of subparagraph

143 (A) of this subdivision, the number of enrolled members of a major
144 party and the number of electors in a district shall be determined by
145 the latest enrollment and voter registration records in the office of the
146 Secretary of the State submitted in accordance with the provisions of
147 section 9-65. The names of electors on the inactive registry list
148 compiled under section 9-35 shall not be counted for such purposes.

149 (2) The qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate for
150 the office of state representative who has been nominated shall be
151 eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the general election
152 campaign in the amount of twenty-five thousand one hundred dollars,
153 provided in the case of an election held in 2010, or thereafter, said
154 amount shall be adjusted under subsection (h) of this section.

155 (g) (1) The qualified candidate committee of an eligible minor party
156 candidate for the office of state senator or state representative shall be
157 eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the general election
158 campaign. [if the candidate of the same minor party for the same office
159 at the last preceding regular election received at least ten per cent of
160 the whole number of votes cast for all candidates for said office at said
161 election.] The amount of the grant shall be [one-third of] the amount of
162 the general election campaign grant under subsection (e) or (f) of this
163 section for a major party candidate for the same office. [, provided (A)
164 if the candidate of the same minor party for the same office at the last
165 preceding regular election received at least fifteen per cent of the
166 whole number of votes cast for all candidates for said office at said
167 election, the amount of the grant shall be two-thirds of the amount of
168 the general election campaign grant under subsection (e) or (f) of this
169 section for a major party candidate for the same office, (B) if the
170 candidate of the same minor party for the same office at the last
171 preceding regular election received at least twenty per cent of the
172 whole number of votes cast for all candidates for said office at said
173 election, the amount of the grant shall be the same as the amount of the
174 general election campaign grant under subsection (e) or (f) of this
175 section for a major party candidate for the same office, and (C) in] In
176 the case of an election held in 2010, or thereafter, said [amounts]

177 amount shall be adjusted under subsection (h) of this section.

178 (2) The qualified candidate committee of an eligible petitioning
179 party candidate for the office of state senator or state representative
180 shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the general
181 election campaign. [if said candidate's nominating petition has been
182 signed by a number of qualified electors equal to at least ten per cent of
183 the whole number of votes cast for the same office at the last preceding
184 regular election.] The amount of the grant shall be [one-third of] the
185 amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection (e) or
186 (f) of this section for a major party candidate for the same office. [,
187 provided (A) if said candidate's nominating petition has been signed
188 by a number of qualified electors equal to at least fifteen per cent of the
189 whole number of votes cast for the same office at the last preceding
190 regular election, the amount of the grant shall be two-thirds of the
191 amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection (e) or
192 (f) of this section for a major party candidate for the same office, (B) if
193 said candidate's nominating petition has been signed by a number of
194 qualified electors equal to at least twenty per cent of the whole number
195 of votes cast for the same office at the last preceding regular election,
196 the amount of the grant shall be the same as the amount of the general
197 election campaign grant under subsection (e) or (f) of this section for a
198 major party candidate for the same office, and (C) in] In the case of an
199 election held in 2010, or thereafter, said [amounts] amount shall be
200 adjusted under subsection (h) of this section.

201 (h) For elections held in 2010, and thereafter, the amount of the
202 grants in subsections (e), (f) and (g) of this section shall be adjusted by
203 the State Elections Enforcement Commission not later than January 15,
204 2010, and biennially thereafter, in accordance with any change in the
205 consumer price index for all urban consumers as published by the
206 United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, during
207 the period beginning on January 1, 2008, and ending on December
208 thirty-first in the year preceding the year in which said adjustment is
209 to be made.

210 (i) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (e), (f) and (g) of
211 this section, in the case of a special election for the office of state
212 senator or state representative, the amount of the grant for a general
213 election campaign shall be seventy-five per cent of the amount
214 authorized under the applicable said subsection (e), (f) or (g).

215 (j) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (a) to (i), inclusive,
216 of this section:

217 (1) The initial grant that a qualified candidate committee for a
218 candidate is eligible to receive under subsections (a) to (i), inclusive, of
219 this section shall be reduced by the amount of any personal funds that
220 the candidate provides for the candidate's campaign for nomination or
221 election pursuant to subsection (c) of section 9-710;

222 (2) If a participating candidate is nominated at a primary and does
223 not expend the entire grant for the primary campaign authorized
224 under subsection (a), (b), (e) or (f) of this section or all moneys that
225 may be received for the primary campaign under section 9-713 or 9-
226 714, the amount of the grant for the general election campaign shall be
227 reduced by the total amount of any such unexpended primary
228 campaign grant and moneys;

229 (3) If a participating candidate who is nominated for election does
230 not have any opponent in the general election campaign, the amount
231 of the general election campaign grant for which the qualified
232 candidate committee for said candidate shall be eligible shall be thirty
233 per cent of the applicable amount set forth in subsections (a) to (i),
234 inclusive; and

235 (4) If the only opponent or opponents of a participating candidate
236 who is nominated for election to an office are eligible minor party
237 candidates or eligible petitioning party candidates and no such eligible
238 minor party candidate's or eligible petitioning party candidate's
239 candidate committee has received a total amount of contributions of
240 any type that is equal to or greater than the amount of the qualifying
241 contributions that a candidate for such office is required to receive

242 under section 9-704 to be eligible for grants from the Citizens' Election
243 Fund, the amount of the general election campaign grant for such
244 participating candidate shall be sixty per cent of the applicable amount
245 set forth in this section."

246 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
247 internal references accordingly:

248 "Sec. 501. (NEW) (*Effective December 31, 2006, and applicable to*
249 *elections held on or after said date*) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of
250 the general statutes, no party committee, legislative caucus committee
251 or legislative leadership committee, as defined in section 9-333a of the
252 2006 supplement to the general statutes, shall make an organization
253 expenditure, as defined in subdivision (25) of section 9-333a of the 2006
254 supplement to the general statutes, for the benefit of the candidate
255 committee of a participating candidate in the Citizens' Election
256 Program for the office of state senator in an amount that exceeds four
257 thousand dollars.

258 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, no party
259 committee, legislative caucus committee or legislative leadership
260 committee, as defined in section 9-333a of the 2006 supplement to the
261 general statutes, shall make an organization expenditure, as defined in
262 subdivision (25) of section 9-333a of the 2006 supplement to the general
263 statutes, for the benefit of the candidate committee of a participating
264 candidate in the Citizens' Election Program for the office of state
265 representative in an amount that exceeds two thousand dollars.

266 (c) In the event that a statement filed by the campaign treasurer of a
267 party committee, a legislative caucus committee or a legislative
268 leadership committee, in accordance with the provisions of sections 9-
269 333j and 9-333e of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes, includes
270 an organization expenditure for the benefit of the candidate committee
271 for a participating candidate for the office of state senator or state
272 representative, the candidate committee for any participating
273 candidate who opposes the candidate that received such benefit shall

274 be eligible for a supplemental grant from the Citizens' Election Fund in
275 the amount of such organization expenditure.

276 (d) The State Elections Enforcement Commission shall adopt
277 regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the
278 general statutes, to implement the provisions of subsection (c) of this
279 section."