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AN ACT CONCERNING CLEAN ELECTIONS.

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

1 Section 1. Section 9-717 of the general statutes, as amended by
2 section 1 of public act 10-2, is repealed and the following is substituted
3 in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

4 [(a) If, during a period beginning on or after the forty-fifth day prior
5 to any special election scheduled relative to any vacancy in the General
6 Assembly and ending the day after such special election, a court of
7 competent jurisdiction prohibits or limits, or continues to prohibit or
8 limit, the expenditure of funds from the Citizens' Election Fund
9 established in section 9-701 for grants or moneys for candidate
10 committees authorized under sections 9-700 to 9-716, inclusive, for a
11 period of seven days or more, (1) sections 1-100b, 9-700 to 9-716,
12 inclusive, 9-750, 9-751 and 9-760 and section 49 of public act 05-5 of the
13 October 25 special session shall be inoperative and have no effect with
14 respect to any race of such special election that is the subject of such
15 court order until the day after such special election, and (2) (A) the

16 amendments made to the provisions of the sections of the general
17 statutes pursuant to public act 05-5 of the October 25 special session
18 shall be inoperative until the day after such special election with
19 respect to any such race, (B) the provisions of said sections of the
20 general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to December 30, 2006, shall
21 be effective until the day after such special election with respect to any
22 such race, and (C) the provisions of subsections (g) to (j), inclusive, of
23 section 9-612 shall not be implemented until the day after such special
24 election with respect to any such race.

25 (b) Except as provided for in subsection (a) or (c) of this section, if,
26 on or after April fifteenth of any year in which a state election is
27 scheduled to occur, a court of competent jurisdiction prohibits or
28 limits, or continues to prohibit or limit, the expenditure of funds from
29 the Citizens' Election Fund established in section 9-701 for grants or
30 moneys for candidate committees authorized under sections 9-700 to 9-
31 716, inclusive, for a period of thirty days or more, (1) sections 1-100b,
32 9-700 to 9-716, inclusive, 9-750, 9-751 and 9-760 and section 49 of public
33 act 05-5 of the October 25 special session shall be inoperative and have
34 no effect with respect to any race that is the subject of such court order
35 until December thirty-first of such year, and (2) (A) the amendments
36 made to the provisions of the sections of the general statutes pursuant
37 to public act 05-5 of the October 25 special session** shall be
38 inoperative until December thirty-first of such year, (B) the provisions
39 of said sections of the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to
40 December 30, 2006, shall be effective until December thirty-first of such
41 year, and (C) the provisions of subsections (g) to (j), inclusive, of
42 section 9-612 shall not be implemented until December thirty-first of
43 such year. If, on the April fifteenth of the second year succeeding such
44 original prohibition or limitation, any such prohibition or limitation is
45 in effect, the provisions of subdivisions (1) and (2) of this section shall
46 be implemented and remain in effect without the time limitation
47 described in said subdivisions (1) and (2).

48 (c) If, during a year in which a state election is held, on or after the

49 second Tuesday in August set aside as the day for a primary under
50 section 9-423, a court of competent jurisdiction prohibits or limits the
51 expenditure of funds from the Citizens' Election Fund established in
52 section 9-701 for grants or moneys for candidate committees
53 authorized under sections 9-700 to 9-716, inclusive, for a period of
54 fifteen days, or if said Tuesday occurs during a period of fifteen days
55 or more in which period such a court continues to prohibit or limit
56 such expenditures, then, after any such fifteen-day period, (1) sections
57 1-100b, 9-700 to 9-716, inclusive, 9-750, 9-751 and 9-760 and section 49
58 of public act 05-5 of the October 25 special session shall be inoperative
59 and have no effect with respect to any race that is the subject of such
60 court order until December thirty-first of such year, and (2) (A) the
61 amendments made to the provisions of the sections of the general
62 statutes pursuant to public act 05-5 of the October 25 special session
63 shall be inoperative until December thirty-first of such year, (B) the
64 provisions of said sections of the general statutes, revision of 1958,
65 revised to December 30, 2006, shall be effective until December thirty-
66 first of such year, and (C) the provisions of subsections (g) to (j),
67 inclusive, of section 9-612 shall not be implemented until December
68 thirty-first of such year. If, on the April fifteenth of the second year
69 succeeding such original prohibition or limitation, any such
70 prohibition or limitation is in effect, the provisions of subdivisions (1)
71 and (2) of this section shall be implemented and remain in effect
72 without the time limitation described in said subdivisions (1) and (2).]

73 (a) Each section, subsection, subdivision, subparagraph, clause,
74 provision or portion of public act 05-5 of the October 25 special session
75 or any subsequent amendment to any such section, subsection,
76 subdivision, subparagraph, clause, provision or portion of said public
77 act shall be construed as separable and severable from all other
78 sections, subsections, subdivisions, subparagraphs, clauses, provisions
79 or portions of said public act. If any provision of said public act, as
80 amended, or its application to any person or circumstance is held
81 invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications
82 of said public act, as amended.

83 [(d)] (b) Any candidate who has received any funds pursuant to the
84 provisions of this chapter and sections 1-100b, [9-700 to 9-716,
85 inclusive,] 9-750, 9-751 and 9-760 and section 49 of public act 05-5 of
86 the October 25 special session prior to any [such] prohibition or
87 limitation on the expenditure of funds from the Citizens' Election Fund
88 taking effect may retain and expend such funds in accordance with
89 this chapter and said sections. [unless prohibited from doing so by the
90 court.]

91 Sec. 2. Section 9-702 of the general statutes is repealed and the
92 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

93 (a) There is established a Citizens' Election Program under which (1)
94 the candidate committee of a major party candidate for nomination to
95 the office of state senator or state representative in 2008, or thereafter,
96 or the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General,
97 State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State Treasurer in 2010, or
98 thereafter, may receive a grant from the Citizens' Election Fund for the
99 candidate's primary campaign for said nomination, and (2) the
100 candidate committee of a candidate nominated by a major party, or the
101 candidate committee of an eligible minor party candidate or an eligible
102 petitioning party candidate, for election to the office of state senator or
103 state representative at a special election held on or after December 31,
104 2006, or at a regular election held in 2008, or thereafter, or for election
105 to the office of Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller,
106 Secretary of the State or State Treasurer in 2010, or thereafter, may
107 receive a grant from the fund for the candidate's general election
108 campaign for said office.

109 (b) Any such candidate committee is eligible to receive such grants
110 for a primary campaign, if applicable, and a general election campaign
111 if (1) the candidate certifies as a participating candidate under section
112 9-703, (2) the candidate's candidate committee receives the required
113 amount of qualifying contributions under section 9-704, as amended
114 by this act, (3) the candidate's candidate committee returns all

115 contributions that do not meet the criteria for qualifying contributions
116 under section 9-704, as amended by this act, (4) the candidate agrees to
117 limit the campaign expenditures of the candidate's candidate
118 committee in accordance with the provisions of subsection (c) of this
119 section, and (5) the candidate submits an application and the
120 commission approves the application in accordance with the
121 provisions of section 9-706.

122 (c) A candidate participating in the Citizens' Election Program shall
123 limit the expenditures of the candidate's candidate committee (A)
124 before a primary campaign and a general election campaign, to the
125 amount of qualifying contributions permitted in section [9-705] 9-704,
126 as amended by this act, and any personal funds provided by the
127 candidate under subsection (c) of section 9-710, (B) for a primary
128 campaign, to the sum of (i) the amount of such qualifying
129 contributions and personal funds that have not been spent before the
130 primary campaign, and (ii) the amount of the grant for the primary
131 campaign authorized under section 9-705, as amended by this act, [and
132 (iii) the amount of any additional moneys for the primary campaign
133 authorized under section 9-713 or 9-714,] and (C) for a general election
134 campaign, to the sum of (i) the amount of such qualifying
135 contributions and personal funds that have not been spent before the
136 general election campaign, (ii) any unexpended funds from any grant
137 for a primary campaign authorized under section 9-705, as amended
138 by this act, [or from any additional moneys for a primary campaign
139 authorized under section 9-713 or 9-714,] and (iii) the amount of the
140 grant for the general election campaign authorized under section 9-
141 705, as amended by this act. [, and (iv) the amount of any additional
142 moneys for the general election campaign authorized under section 9-
143 713 or 9-714.] The candidate committee of a minor or petitioning party
144 candidate who has received a general election campaign grant from
145 the fund pursuant to section 9-705, as amended by this act, shall be
146 permitted to receive contributions in addition to the qualifying
147 contributions subject to the limitations and restrictions applicable to
148 participating candidates for the same office, provided such minor or

149 petitioning party candidate shall limit the expenditures of the
150 candidate committee for a general election campaign to the sum of the
151 qualifying contributions and personal funds, the amount of the general
152 election campaign grant received and the amount raised in additional
153 contributions that is equivalent to the difference between the amount
154 of the applicable general election campaign grant for a major party
155 candidate for such office and the amount of the general election
156 campaign grant received by such minor or petitioning party candidate.

157 (d) For the purposes of [sections 9-700 to 9-716, inclusive] this
158 chapter, if a qualified candidate committee receives a grant for a
159 primary campaign and has qualifying contributions that have not been
160 spent before the primary campaign, no expenditures by such
161 committee during the primary campaign shall be deemed to have been
162 made from such qualifying contributions until the primary campaign
163 grant funds have been fully spent.

164 (e) No grants or moneys paid to a qualified candidate committee
165 from the Citizens' Election Fund under [sections 9-700 to 9-716,
166 inclusive] this chapter, shall be deemed to be public funds under any
167 other provision of the general statutes or any public or special act
168 unless specifically stated by such provision.

169 Sec. 3. Section 9-705 of the general statutes is repealed and the
170 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

171 (a) (1) The qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate
172 for the office of Governor who has a primary for nomination to said
173 office shall be eligible to receive a grant from the Citizens' Election
174 Fund for the primary campaign in the amount of one million two
175 hundred fifty thousand dollars, provided, in the case of a primary held
176 in 2014, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted under subsection
177 (d) of this section.

178 (2) The qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the office of
179 Governor who has been nominated, or who has qualified to appear on

180 the election ballot in accordance with the provisions of subpart C of
181 part III of chapter 153, shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund
182 for the general election campaign in the amount of [three] six million
183 dollars, provided in the case of an election held in 2014, or thereafter,
184 said amount shall be adjusted under subsection (d) of this section.

185 (b) (1) The qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate
186 for the office of Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State
187 Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State Treasurer who has a
188 primary for nomination to said office shall be eligible to receive a grant
189 from the fund for the primary campaign in the amount of three
190 hundred seventy-five thousand dollars, provided, in the case of a
191 primary held in 2014, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted
192 under subsection (d) of this section.

193 (2) The qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the office of
194 Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State
195 Treasurer who has been nominated, or who has qualified to appear on
196 the election ballot in accordance with the provisions of subpart C of
197 part III of chapter 153, shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund
198 for the general election campaign in the amount of seven hundred fifty
199 thousand dollars, provided in the case of an election held in 2014, or
200 thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted under subsection (d) of this
201 section.

202 (c) (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (a) and (b) of
203 this section, the qualified candidate committee of an eligible minor
204 party candidate for the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor,
205 Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State
206 Treasurer shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the
207 general election campaign if the candidate of the same minor party for
208 the same office at the last preceding regular election received at least
209 ten per cent of the whole number of votes cast for all candidates for
210 said office at said election. The amount of the grant shall be one-third
211 of the amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection

212 (a) or (b) of this section for a candidate for the same office, provided
213 (A) if the candidate of the same minor party for the same office at the
214 last preceding regular election received at least fifteen per cent of the
215 whole number of votes cast for all candidates for said office at said
216 election, the amount of the grant shall be two-thirds of the amount of
217 the general election campaign grant under subsection (a) or (b) of this
218 section for a candidate for the same office, (B) if the candidate of the
219 same minor party for the same office at the last preceding regular
220 election received at least twenty per cent of the whole number of votes
221 cast for all candidates for said office at said election, the amount of the
222 grant shall be the same as the amount of the general election campaign
223 grant under subsection (a) or (b) of this section for a candidate for the
224 same office, and (C) in the case of an election held in 2014, or
225 thereafter, said amounts shall be adjusted under subsection (d) of this
226 section.

227 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (a) and (b) of this
228 section, the qualified candidate committee of an eligible petitioning
229 party candidate for the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor,
230 Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State
231 Treasurer shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the
232 general election campaign if said candidate's nominating petition has
233 been signed by a number of qualified electors equal to at least ten per
234 cent of the whole number of votes cast for the same office at the last
235 preceding regular election. The amount of the grant shall be one-third
236 of the amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection
237 (a) or (b) of this section for a candidate for the same office, provided
238 (A) if said candidate's nominating petition has been signed by a
239 number of qualified electors equal to at least fifteen per cent of the
240 whole number of votes cast for the same office at the last preceding
241 regular election, the amount of the grant shall be two-thirds of the
242 amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection (a) or
243 (b) of this section for a candidate for the same office, (B) if said
244 candidate's nominating petition has been signed by a number of
245 qualified electors equal to at least twenty per cent of the whole number

246 of votes cast for the same office at the last preceding regular election,
247 the amount of the grant shall be the same as the amount of the general
248 election campaign grant under subsection (a) or (b) of this section for a
249 candidate for the same office, and (C) in the case of an election held in
250 2014, or thereafter, said amounts shall be adjusted under subsection (d)
251 of this section.

252 (3) In addition to the provisions of subdivisions (1) and (2) of this
253 subsection, the qualified candidate committee of an eligible petitioning
254 party candidate and the qualified candidate committee of an eligible
255 minor party candidate for the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor,
256 Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State
257 Treasurer shall be eligible to receive a supplemental grant from the
258 fund after the general election if the treasurer of such candidate
259 committee reports a deficit in the first statement filed after the general
260 election, pursuant to section 9-608, and such candidate received a
261 greater [per cent] percentage of the whole number of votes cast for all
262 candidates for said office at said election than the [per cent] percentage
263 of votes utilized by such candidate to obtain a general election
264 campaign grant described in subdivision (1) or (2) of this subsection.
265 The amount of such supplemental grant shall be calculated as follows:

266 (A) In the case of any such candidate who receives more than ten
267 per cent, but not more than fifteen per cent, of the whole number of
268 votes cast for all candidates for said office at said election, the grant
269 shall be the product of (i) a fraction in which the numerator is the
270 difference between the percentage of such whole number of votes
271 received by such candidate and ten per cent and the denominator is
272 ten, and (ii) two-thirds of the amount of the general election campaign
273 grant under subsection (a) or (b) of this section for a major party
274 candidate for the same office.

275 (B) In the case of any such candidate who receives more than fifteen
276 per cent, but less than twenty per cent, of the whole number of votes
277 cast for all candidates for said office at said election, the grant shall be

278 the product of (i) a fraction in which the numerator is the difference
279 between the percentage of such whole number of votes received by
280 such candidate and fifteen per cent and the denominator is five, and
281 (ii) one-third of the amount of the general election campaign grant
282 under subsection (a) or (b) of this section for a major party candidate
283 for the same office.

284 (C) The sum of the general election campaign grant received by any
285 such candidate and a supplemental grant under this subdivision shall
286 not exceed one hundred per cent of the amount of the general election
287 campaign grant under subsection (a) or (b) of this section for a major
288 party candidate for the same office.

289 (d) For elections held in 2014, and thereafter, the amount of the
290 grants in subsections (a), (b) and (c) of this section shall be adjusted by
291 the State Elections Enforcement Commission not later than January 15,
292 2014, and quadrennially thereafter, in accordance with any change in
293 the consumer price index for all urban consumers as published by the
294 United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, during
295 the period beginning on January 1, 2010, and ending on December
296 thirty-first in the year preceding the year in which said adjustment is
297 to be made.

298 (e) (1) The qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate
299 for the office of state senator who has a primary for nomination to said
300 office shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the primary
301 campaign in the amount of thirty-five thousand dollars, provided (A)
302 if the percentage of the electors in the district served by said office who
303 are enrolled in said major party exceeds the percentage of the electors
304 in said district who are enrolled in another major party by at least
305 twenty percentage points, the amount of said grant shall be seventy-
306 five thousand dollars, and (B) in the case of a primary held in 2010, or
307 thereafter, said amounts shall be adjusted under subsection (h) of this
308 section. For the purposes of subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, the
309 number of enrolled members of a major party and the number of

310 electors in a district shall be determined by the latest enrollment and
311 voter registration records in the office of the Secretary of the State
312 submitted in accordance with the provisions of section 9-65. The names
313 of electors on the inactive registry list compiled under section 9-35
314 shall not be counted for such purposes.

315 (2) The qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the office of
316 state senator who has been nominated, or has qualified to appear on
317 the election ballot in accordance with subpart C of part III of chapter
318 153, shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the general
319 election campaign in the amount of eighty-five thousand dollars,
320 provided in the case of an election held in 2010, or thereafter, said
321 amount shall be adjusted under subsection (h) of this section.

322 (f) (1) The qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate
323 for the office of state representative who has a primary for nomination
324 to said office shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the
325 primary campaign in the amount of ten thousand dollars, provided (A)
326 if the percentage of the electors in the district served by said office who
327 are enrolled in said major party exceeds the percentage of the electors
328 in said district who are enrolled in another major party by at least
329 twenty percentage points, the amount of said grant shall be twenty-
330 five thousand dollars, and (B) in the case of a primary held in 2010, or
331 thereafter, said amounts shall be adjusted under subsection (h) of this
332 section. For the purposes of subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, the
333 number of enrolled members of a major party and the number of
334 electors in a district shall be determined by the latest enrollment and
335 voter registration records in the office of the Secretary of the State
336 submitted in accordance with the provisions of section 9-65. The names
337 of electors on the inactive registry list compiled under section 9-35
338 shall not be counted for such purposes.

339 (2) The qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the office of
340 state representative who has been nominated, or has qualified to
341 appear on the election ballot in accordance with subpart C of part III of

342 chapter 153, shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the
343 general election campaign in the amount of twenty-five thousand
344 dollars, provided in the case of an election held in 2010, or thereafter,
345 said amount shall be adjusted under subsection (h) of this section.

346 (g) (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (e) and (f) of
347 this section, the qualified candidate committee of an eligible minor
348 party candidate for the office of state senator or state representative
349 shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the general
350 election campaign if the candidate of the same minor party for the
351 same office at the last preceding regular election received at least ten
352 per cent of the whole number of votes cast for all candidates for said
353 office at said election. The amount of the grant shall be one-third of the
354 amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection (e) or
355 (f) of this section for a candidate for the same office, provided (A) if the
356 candidate of the same minor party for the same office at the last
357 preceding regular election received at least fifteen per cent of the
358 whole number of votes cast for all candidates for said office at said
359 election, the amount of the grant shall be two-thirds of the amount of
360 the general election campaign grant under subsection (e) or (f) of this
361 section for a candidate for the same office, (B) if the candidate of the
362 same minor party for the same office at the last preceding regular
363 election received at least twenty per cent of the whole number of votes
364 cast for all candidates for said office at said election, the amount of the
365 grant shall be the same as the amount of the general election campaign
366 grant under subsection (e) or (f) of this section for a candidate for the
367 same office, and (C) in the case of an election held in 2010, or
368 thereafter, said amounts shall be adjusted under subsection (h) of this
369 section.

370 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (e) and (f) of this
371 section, the qualified candidate committee of an eligible petitioning
372 party candidate for the office of state senator or state representative
373 shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the general
374 election campaign if said candidate's nominating petition has been

375 signed by a number of qualified electors equal to at least ten per cent of
376 the whole number of votes cast for the same office at the last preceding
377 regular election. The amount of the grant shall be one-third of the
378 amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection (e) or
379 (f) of this section for a candidate for the same office, provided (A) if
380 said candidate's nominating petition has been signed by a number of
381 qualified electors equal to at least fifteen per cent of the whole number
382 of votes cast for the same office at the last preceding regular election,
383 the amount of the grant shall be two-thirds of the amount of the
384 general election campaign grant under subsection (e) or (f) of this
385 section for a candidate for the same office, (B) if said candidate's
386 nominating petition has been signed by a number of qualified electors
387 equal to at least twenty per cent of the whole number of votes cast for
388 the same office at the last preceding regular election, the amount of the
389 grant shall be the same as the amount of the general election campaign
390 grant under subsection (e) or (f) of this section for a candidate for the
391 same office, and (C) in the case of an election held in 2010, or
392 thereafter, said amounts shall be adjusted under subsection (h) of this
393 section.

394 (3) In addition to the provisions of subdivisions (1) and (2) of this
395 subsection, the qualified candidate committee of an eligible petitioning
396 party candidate and the qualified candidate committee of an eligible
397 minor party candidate for the office of state senator or state
398 representative shall be eligible to receive a supplemental grant from
399 the fund after the general election if the treasurer of such candidate
400 committee reports a deficit in the first statement filed after the general
401 election, pursuant to section 9-608, and such candidate received a
402 greater [per cent] percentage of the whole number of votes cast for all
403 candidates for said office at said election than the [per cent] percentage
404 of votes utilized by such candidate to obtain a general election
405 campaign grant described in subdivision (1) or (2) of this subsection.
406 The amount of such supplemental grant shall be calculated as follows:

407 (A) In the case of any such candidate who receives more than ten

408 per cent, but less than fifteen per cent, of the whole number of votes
409 cast for all candidates for said office at said election, the grant shall be
410 the product of (i) a fraction in which the numerator is the difference
411 between the percentage of such whole number of votes received by
412 such candidate and ten per cent and the denominator is ten, and (ii)
413 two-thirds of the amount of the general election campaign grant under
414 subsection [(a) or (b)] (e) or (f) of this section for a major party
415 candidate for the same office.

416 (B) In the case of any such candidate who receives more than fifteen
417 per cent, but less than twenty per cent, of the whole number of votes
418 cast for all candidates for said office at said election, the grant shall be
419 the product of (i) a fraction in which the numerator is the difference
420 between the percentage of such whole number of votes received by
421 such candidate and fifteen per cent and the denominator is five, and
422 (ii) one-third of the amount of the general election campaign grant
423 under subsection [(a) or (b)] (e) or (f) of this section for a major party
424 candidate for the same office.

425 (C) The sum of the general election campaign grant received by any
426 such candidate and a supplemental grant under this subdivision shall
427 not exceed one hundred per cent of the amount of the general election
428 campaign grant under subsection [(a) or (b)] (e) or (f) of this section for
429 a major party candidate for the same office.

430 (h) For elections held in 2010, and thereafter, the amount of the
431 grants in subsections (e), (f) and (g) of this section shall be adjusted by
432 the State Elections Enforcement Commission not later than January 15,
433 2010, and biennially thereafter, in accordance with any change in the
434 consumer price index for all urban consumers as published by the
435 United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, during
436 the period beginning on January 1, 2008, and ending on December
437 thirty-first in the year preceding the year in which said adjustment is
438 to be made.

439 (i) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (e), (f) and (g) of

440 this section, in the case of a special election for the office of state
441 senator or state representative, the amount of the grant for a general
442 election campaign shall be seventy-five per cent of the amount
443 authorized under the applicable said subsection (e), (f) or (g).

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

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

451 (2) If a participating candidate is nominated at a primary and does
452 not expend the entire grant for the primary campaign authorized
453 under subsection (a), (b), (e) or (f) of this section, [or all moneys that
454 may be received for the primary campaign under section 9-713 or 9-
455 714,] the amount of the grant for the general election campaign shall be
456 reduced by the total amount of any such unexpended primary
457 campaign grant and moneys;

458 (3) If a participating candidate who is nominated for election does
459 not have any opponent in the general election campaign, the amount
460 of the general election campaign grant for which the qualified
461 candidate committee for said candidate shall be eligible shall be thirty
462 per cent of the applicable amount set forth in subsections (a) to (i),
463 inclusive, of this section. For purposes of this subdivision, a
464 participating candidate shall be deemed to have an opponent if (A) a
465 major party has properly endorsed any other candidate and made the
466 requisite filing with the Secretary of the State within the time specified
467 in section 9-391 or 9-400, as applicable, (B) any candidate of any other
468 major party has received not less than fifteen per cent of the vote of
469 convention delegates and has complied with the filing requirements
470 set forth in section 9-400, or (C) any candidate of any other major party
471 has circulated a petition and obtained the required number of

472 signatures for filing a candidacy for nomination and has either
473 qualified for the primary or been deemed the party's nominee; [and]

474 (4) If the only opponent or opponents of a participating candidate
475 who is nominated for election to an office are eligible minor party
476 candidates or eligible petitioning party candidates and no such eligible
477 minor party candidate's or eligible petitioning party candidate's
478 candidate committee has received a total amount of contributions of
479 any type that is equal to or greater than the amount of the qualifying
480 contributions that a candidate for such office is required to receive
481 under section 9-704, as amended by this act, to be eligible for grants
482 from the Citizens' Election Fund, the amount of the general election
483 campaign grant for such participating candidate shall be sixty per cent
484 of the applicable amount set forth in this section; [.] and

485 (5) The amount of the primary grant or general election campaign
486 grant for a qualified candidate committee shall be reduced, pursuant to
487 the provisions of this subdivision, if such candidate committee has
488 control and custody over lawn signs from any prior election or
489 primary in the following applicable amount: (A) Five hundred or more
490 lawn signs for the qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the
491 office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State
492 Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State Treasurer, (B) one hundred
493 or more lawn signs for the qualified candidate committee of a
494 candidate for the office of state senator, or (C) fifty or more lawn signs
495 for the qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the office of
496 state representative. If such qualified candidate committee has custody
497 and control over lawn signs in the applicable amount, as described in
498 this subdivision, the grant from the fund for the primary campaign or
499 general election campaign, as applicable, for such qualified candidate
500 committee shall be reduced as follows: (i) Two thousand five hundred
501 dollars for the qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the
502 office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State
503 Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State Treasurer, (ii) five hundred
504 dollars for the qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the

505 office of state senator, or (iii) two hundred fifty dollars for the qualified
506 candidate committee of a candidate for the office of state
507 representative. In no event shall such a reduction be made both to a
508 qualified candidate committee's primary campaign grant and to such
509 candidate committee's general election grant. No reduction in either
510 the primary campaign or general election campaign for a qualified
511 candidate committee's grant shall be taken for any lawn sign that is not
512 in the custody or control of the qualified candidate committee.
513 Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to apply to any item
514 other than lawn signs.

515 Sec. 4. Section 9-707 of the general statutes is repealed and the
516 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

517 Following the initial deposit of moneys from the Citizens' Election
518 Fund into the depository account of a qualified candidate committee,
519 no contribution, loan, amount of the candidate's own moneys or any
520 other moneys received by the candidate or the campaign treasurer on
521 behalf of the committee shall be deposited into said depository
522 account, except [(1)] grants from the fund. [, and (2) any additional
523 moneys from the fund as provided in sections 9-713 and 9-714.]

524 Sec. 5. Section 9-712 of the general statutes is repealed and the
525 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

526 (a) (1) If a candidate committee in a primary campaign or a general
527 election campaign in which there is at least one participating candidate
528 initially receives contributions, loans or other funds or makes or incurs
529 an obligation to make, an expenditure that, in the aggregate, exceeds
530 ninety per cent of the applicable expenditure limit for the applicable
531 primary or general election period, the campaign treasurer of the
532 candidate committee receiving such contributions, loans or other funds
533 or making or incurring the obligation to make the excess expenditure
534 shall file a supplemental campaign finance statement with the State
535 Elections Enforcement Commission in accordance with the provisions
536 of subdivision (2) of this subsection.

537 (2) If a candidate committee receives contributions, loans or other
538 funds, or makes or incurs an obligation to make an expenditure that, in
539 the aggregate, exceeds ninety per cent of the applicable expenditure
540 limit for the applicable primary or general election campaign period
541 more than twenty days before the day of such primary or election, the
542 campaign treasurer of said candidate shall file an initial supplemental
543 campaign finance disclosure statement with the commission not later
544 than forty-eight hours after receiving such contributions, loans or other
545 funds, or making or incurring such expenditure. If said candidate
546 committee receives contributions, loans or other funds, or makes or
547 incurs an obligation to make expenditures, that, in the aggregate,
548 exceed ninety per cent of the applicable expenditure limit for the
549 applicable primary or general election campaign period twenty days or
550 less before the day of such primary or election, the campaign treasurer
551 of such candidate shall file such statement with the commission not
552 later than twenty-four hours after receiving such contributions, loans
553 or funds, or making or incurring such expenditure.

554 (3) After the initial filing of a statement under subdivisions (1) and
555 (2) of this subsection, the campaign treasurer of the candidate filing the
556 statement and the campaign treasurer of all of the opposing candidates
557 shall file periodic supplemental campaign finance statements with the
558 commission on the following schedule: (A) If the date of the applicable
559 primary or general election is more than five weeks after the date the
560 initial supplemental campaign finance disclosure statement is due to
561 be filed in accordance with subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection,
562 periodic supplemental campaign finance statements shall be filed bi-
563 weekly on every other Thursday, beginning the second Thursday after
564 the initial statement is filed; and (B) if the date of the applicable
565 primary election or general election is five weeks or less away, periodic
566 supplemental campaign finance statements shall be filed: (i) In the case
567 of a primary campaign, on the first Thursday following the date in July
568 on which candidates are required to file campaign finance statements
569 pursuant to subsection (a) of section 9-608, or the first Thursday
570 following the supplemental campaign finance statement filed under

571 subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection, whichever is later, and each
572 Thursday thereafter until the Thursday before the day of the primary,
573 inclusive, and (ii) in the case of a general election campaign, on the
574 first Thursday following the date in October on which candidates are
575 required to file campaign finance statements pursuant to subsection (a)
576 of section 9-608, or the first Thursday following the supplemental
577 campaign finance statement filed under subdivision (1) of this
578 subsection, whichever is later, and each Thursday thereafter until the
579 Thursday after the day of the election, inclusive.

580 (4) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivisions (1), (2) and (3) of
581 this subsection, if a candidate committee in a primary campaign or a
582 general election campaign in which there is at least one participating
583 candidate receives contributions, loans or other funds, or makes or
584 incurs an obligation to make expenditures that, in the aggregate,
585 exceed one hundred per cent, one hundred twenty-five per cent, one
586 hundred fifty per cent, or one hundred seventy-five per cent of the
587 applicable expenditure limit for the applicable primary or general
588 election campaign period, the campaign treasurer of the candidate
589 committee receiving the contributions, incurring the loans or raising
590 the funds, or making or incurring the obligation to make the excess
591 expenditure or expenditures shall file a declaration of excess receipts
592 or expenditures statement with the commission, within the deadlines
593 set forth in subdivision (2) of this subsection.

594 (5) Each supplemental statement required under subdivision (1), (2),
595 (3) or (4) of this subsection for a candidate shall disclose the name of
596 the candidate, the name of the candidate's campaign committee and
597 the total amount of campaign contributions, loans or other funds
598 received, or expenditures made or obligated to be made by such
599 candidate committee during the primary campaign or the general
600 election campaign, whichever is applicable, as of the day before the
601 date on which such statement is required to be filed. The commission
602 shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter
603 54, specifying permissible media for the transmission of such

604 statements to the commission, which shall include electronic mail.

605 (b) (1) As used in this section, [and section 9-713,] "excess
606 expenditure" means an expenditure made, or obligated to be made, by
607 a nonparticipating or a participating candidate who is opposed by one
608 or more other participating candidates in a primary campaign or a
609 general election campaign, which is in excess of the amount of the
610 applicable limit on expenditures for said participating candidates for
611 said campaign and which is the sum of (A) the applicable qualifying
612 contributions that the participating candidate is required to receive
613 under section 9-704 to be eligible for grants from the Citizens' Election
614 Fund, and (B) one hundred per cent of the applicable full grant amount
615 for a major party candidate authorized under section 9-705, as
616 amended by this act, for the applicable campaign period.

617 (2) The commission shall confirm whether an expenditure described
618 in a declaration filed under this subsection is an excess expenditure.

619 (c) If a campaign treasurer fails to file any statement or declaration
620 required by this section within the time required, said campaign
621 treasurer shall be subject to a civil penalty, imposed by the
622 commission, of not more than one thousand dollars for the first failure
623 to file the statement within the time required and not more than five
624 thousand dollars for any subsequent such failure.

625 Sec. 6. Section 9-716 of the general statutes is repealed and the
626 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

627 (a) Not later than June 1, 2007, and annually thereafter, the State
628 Elections Enforcement Commission shall issue a report on the status of
629 the Citizens' Election Fund during the previous calendar year. Such
630 report shall include the amount of moneys deposited in the fund, the
631 sources of moneys received by category, the number of contributions,
632 the number of contributors, the amount of moneys expended by
633 category, the recipients of moneys distributed from the fund and an
634 accounting of the costs incurred by the commission in administering

635 the provisions of [sections 9-700 to 9-716, inclusive] this chapter.

636 (b) Not later than January first in any year in which a state election
637 is to be held, the commission shall determine whether the amount of
638 moneys in the fund is sufficient to carry out the purposes of [sections
639 9-700 to 9-716, inclusive] this chapter. If the commission determines
640 that such amount is not sufficient to carry out such purposes, the
641 commission shall, not later than three days after such later
642 determination, (1) determine the percentage of the fund's obligations
643 that can be met for such election, (2) recalculate the amount of each
644 payment that each qualified candidate committee is entitled to receive
645 under section 9-706 by multiplying such percentage by the amount
646 that such committee would have been entitled to receive under
647 [sections 9-700 to 9-716, inclusive] this chapter, if there were a
648 sufficient amount of moneys in the fund, and (3) notify each such
649 committee of such insufficiency, percentage and applicable
650 recalculation. After a qualified candidate committee under section 9-
651 706 first receives any such recalculated payment, the committee may
652 resume accepting contributions, which shall not be subject to the
653 restrictions on qualifying contributions under section 9-704, and
654 making expenditures from such contributions, up to the highest
655 amount of expenditures made by an opposing nonparticipating
656 candidate in the same primary campaign or general election campaign.
657 The commission shall also issue a report on said determination.

658 (c) The commission shall establish a reserve account in the fund. The
659 first twenty-five thousand dollars deposited in the fund during any
660 year shall be placed in said account. The commission shall use moneys
661 in the reserve account only during the seven days preceding a primary
662 or an election for payments to candidates [(1)] whose payments were
663 reduced under subsection (b) of this section, [, or (2) who are entitled
664 to funding to match, during said seven-day period, independent
665 expenditures pursuant to section 9-714.]

666 Sec. 7. Section 9-601 of the general statutes, as amended by section 1

667 of public act 10-187, is amended by adding subdivisions (27) and (28)
668 as follows (*Effective from passage*):

669 (NEW) (27) "Bundle" means the forwarding of five or more
670 contributions to a single committee by a communicator lobbyist, an
671 agent of such lobbyist, or a member of the immediate family of such
672 lobbyist, or raising contributions for a committee at a fund-raising
673 affair held by, sponsored by, or hosted by a communicator lobbyist or
674 an agent of such lobbyist, or a member of the immediate family of such
675 lobbyist.

676 (NEW) (28) "Slate committee" means a political committee formed
677 by two or more candidates for nomination or election to any municipal
678 office in the same town, city or borough, or in a primary for the office
679 of justice of the peace or the position of town committee member,
680 whenever such political committee will serve as the sole funding
681 vehicle for the candidates' campaigns.

682 Sec. 8. Subdivision (16) of section 9-601 of the general statutes, as
683 amended by section 1 of public act 10-187, is repealed and the
684 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

685 (16) "Lobbyist" means a lobbyist, as defined in section 1-91, and
686 "communicator lobbyist" means a communicator lobbyist, as defined
687 in section 1-91, and "client lobbyist" means a client lobbyist, as defined
688 in section 1-91.

689 Sec. 9. Section 9-610 of the general statutes is repealed and the
690 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

691 (a) Any provision of this chapter to the contrary notwithstanding, a
692 candidate committee may join with one or more candidate committees
693 to establish a political committee for the purpose of sponsoring one or
694 more fund-raising events for those candidates. Any individual, other
695 than a candidate benefited, who is eligible and qualifies to serve in
696 accordance with the provisions of subsection (d) of section 9-606 may

697 serve as the campaign treasurer or deputy campaign treasurer of such
698 a political committee. The statements required to be filed by a political
699 committee under this chapter shall apply to any political committee
700 established pursuant to this subsection. After all expenses of the
701 political committee have been paid by its campaign treasurer for each
702 event, he shall distribute all remaining funds from such event to the
703 campaign treasurers of each of the candidate committees which
704 established the political committee. The distribution to each candidate
705 committee shall be made not later than fourteen days after the event,
706 either in accordance with a prior agreement of the candidates or, if no
707 prior agreement was made, in equal proportions to each candidate
708 committee. Any contribution which is made to such political
709 committee shall, for purposes of determining compliance with the
710 limitations imposed by this chapter, be deemed to have been made in
711 equal proportions to each candidate's campaign unless (1) a prior
712 agreement was made by the candidates as to the disposition of
713 remaining funds, and (2) those who contributed to the political
714 committee were notified of such disposition, in which case the
715 contribution shall be deemed to have been made to each candidate's
716 campaign in accordance with the agreement.

717 (b) A candidate committee may pay its pro rata share of the
718 expenses of operating a campaign headquarters and of preparing,
719 printing and disseminating any political communication on behalf of
720 that candidate and any other candidate or candidates.
721 Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of
722 section 9-616, a candidate committee may reimburse a party committee
723 for any expenditure such party committee has incurred for the benefit
724 of such candidate committee.

725 (c) A candidate may make any expenditure permitted by section 9-
726 607 to aid or promote the success of his campaign for nomination or
727 election from his personal funds, or the funds of his immediate family,
728 which for the purposes of this chapter shall consist of the candidate's
729 spouse and issue. Any such expenditure shall not be deemed a

730 contribution to any committee.

731 (d) (1) No incumbent holding office shall, during the three months
732 preceding an election in which he is a candidate for reelection or
733 election to another office, use public funds to mail or print flyers or
734 other promotional materials intended to bring about his election or
735 reelection.

736 (2) No official or employee of the state or a political subdivision of
737 the state shall authorize the use of public funds for a television, radio,
738 movie theater, billboard, bus poster, newspaper or magazine
739 promotional campaign or advertisement, which (A) features the name,
740 face or voice of a candidate for public office, or (B) promotes the
741 nomination or election of a candidate for public office, during the
742 twelve-month period preceding the election being held for the office
743 which the candidate described in this subdivision is seeking.

744 (3) As used in subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection, "public
745 funds" does not include any grant or moneys paid to a qualified
746 candidate committee from the Citizens' Election Fund under [sections
747 9-700 to 9-716, inclusive] this chapter.

748 (e) For purposes of this subsection and subsection (f) of this section,
749 the exclusions to the term "contribution" in subsection (b) of section 9-
750 601a, as amended by this act, shall not apply; the term "state office"
751 means the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General,
752 State Comptroller, State Treasurer or Secretary of the State; and the
753 term "state officer" means the Governor, Lieutenant Governor,
754 Attorney General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer or Secretary of
755 the State. Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter to the
756 contrary, during any regular session of the General Assembly, during
757 any special session of the General Assembly held between the
758 adjournment of the regular session in an odd-numbered year and the
759 convening of the regular session in the following even-numbered year
760 or during any reconvened session of the General Assembly held in an
761 odd-numbered year to reconsider vetoed bills, (1) no [client] lobbyist

762 or political committee established by or on behalf of a [client] lobbyist
763 shall make or offer to make a contribution to or on behalf of, and no
764 [such] lobbyist shall solicit a contribution on behalf of, (A) a candidate
765 or exploratory committee established by a candidate for nomination or
766 election to the General Assembly or a state office or (B) a political
767 committee (i) established for an assembly or senatorial district, (ii)
768 established by a member of the General Assembly or a state officer or
769 such member or officer's agent, or in consultation with, or at the
770 request or suggestion of, any such member, officer or agent, or (iii)
771 controlled by such member, officer or agent, to aid or promote the
772 nomination or election of any candidate or candidates to the General
773 Assembly or a state office, and (2) no such candidate or political
774 committee shall accept such a contribution. The provisions of this
775 subsection shall not apply to a candidate committee established by a
776 member of the General Assembly or a candidate for nomination or
777 election to the General Assembly, at a special election for the General
778 Assembly, from the date on which the candidate or the chairman of the
779 committee files the designation of a campaign treasurer and a
780 depository institution under section 9-602 with the State Elections
781 Enforcement Commission, to the date on which the special election is
782 held, inclusive, or to an exploratory committee established by a
783 member of the General Assembly to promote his candidacy for an
784 office other than the General Assembly.

785 (f) A political committee established by two or more individuals
786 under subparagraph (B) of subsection (3) of section 9-601, other than a
787 committee established solely for the purpose of aiding or promoting
788 any candidate or candidates for municipal office or the success or
789 defeat of a referendum question, shall be subject to the prohibition on
790 acceptance of [client] lobbyist contributions under subsection (e) of this
791 section unless the campaign treasurer of the committee has filed a
792 certification that the committee is not established for an assembly or
793 senatorial district, or by a member of the General Assembly or a state
794 officer, or such member or officer's agent, or in consultation with, or at
795 the request or suggestion of, any such member, officer or agent, or

796 controlled by such member, officer or agent. The campaign treasurer of
797 any political committee established by or controlled by a [client]
798 lobbyist shall file a certification to that effect. Such certifications shall
799 be filed with the State Elections Enforcement Commission, on forms
800 prescribed by the commission, on or before November 15, 2008, for all
801 such political committees in existence on such date, or upon the
802 registration of the committee, and on or before November fifteenth
803 biennially thereafter. The commission shall prepare a list of all such
804 committees subject to the prohibitions under subsection (e) of this
805 section, according to the certifications filed, which shall be available
806 prior to the opening of each regular session of the General Assembly,
807 and shall provide a copy of the list to the president pro tempore of the
808 Senate, the speaker of the House of Representatives, the minority
809 leader of the Senate, the minority leader of the House of
810 Representatives and each state officer. During each such regular
811 session, the commission shall prepare a supplemental list of
812 committees which register after November fifteenth and are subject to
813 such prohibitions, and the commission shall provide the supplemental
814 list to such legislative leaders and state officers. The filing of the
815 certification by the campaign treasurer of the committee shall not
816 impair the authority of the commission to act under section 9-7b. Any
817 [client] lobbyist or campaign treasurer who acts in reliance on such
818 lists in good faith shall have an absolute defense in any action brought
819 under subsection (e) and this subsection, subsection (c) of section 9-
820 604, and subsection (f) of section 9-608.

821 (g) No communicator lobbyist, member of the immediate family of a
822 communicator lobbyist, or political committee established or
823 controlled by a communicator lobbyist or a member of the immediate
824 family of a communicator lobbyist shall make a contribution or
825 contributions in excess of one hundred dollars to, or for the benefit of
826 (1) an exploratory committee or a candidate committee established by
827 a candidate for nomination or election to the office of Governor,
828 Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, State
829 Treasurer, Secretary of the State, state senator or state representative,

830 (2) a political committee established or controlled by any such
831 candidate, (3) a legislative caucus committee or a legislative leadership
832 committee, or (4) a party committee.

833 (h) [No] On and after January 1, 2011, no communicator lobbyist,
834 immediate family member of a communicator lobbyist, agent of a
835 communicator lobbyist, or political committee established or
836 controlled by a communicator lobbyist or any such immediate family
837 member or agent shall knowingly solicit from any individual who is a
838 member of the board of directors of, an employee of or a partner in, or
839 who has an ownership interest of five per cent or more in, any client
840 lobbyist that the communicator lobbyist lobbies on behalf of pursuant
841 to the communicator lobbyist's registration under chapter 10 (1) a
842 contribution on behalf of a candidate committee or an exploratory
843 committee established by a candidate for the office of Governor,
844 Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, State
845 Treasurer, Secretary of the State, state senator or state representative, a
846 political committee established or controlled by any such candidate, a
847 legislative caucus committee, a legislative leadership committee or a
848 party committee, or (2) the purchase of advertising space in a program
849 for a fund-raising affair sponsored by a town committee, as described
850 in subparagraph (B) of subdivision (10) of subsection (b) of section 9-
851 601a, as amended by this act.

852 (i) No communicator lobbyist or agent of such lobbyist, or member
853 of the immediate family of a communicator lobbyist shall bundle
854 contributions to, (1) an exploratory committee or a candidate
855 committee established by a candidate for nomination or election to the
856 office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State
857 Comptroller, State Treasurer, Secretary of the State, state senator or
858 state representative, (2) a political committee established or controlled
859 by any such candidate, (3) a legislative caucus committee or a
860 legislative leadership committee, or (4) a party committee.

861 [(i)] (j) The provisions of subsections (g), [and] (h) and (i) of this

862 subsection shall not apply to the campaign of a communicator lobbyist,
863 immediate family member of a communicator lobbyist or agent of a
864 communicator lobbyist who is a candidate for public office or to an
865 immediate family member of a communicator lobbyist who is an
866 elected public official.

867 [(j)] (k) Any person who violates any provision of subsections (g),
868 [and] (h) and (i) of this section shall be subject to a civil penalty,
869 imposed by the State Elections Enforcement Commission, of not more
870 than five thousand dollars or twice the amount of any contribution
871 donated, [or] solicited or bundled in violation of subsection (g), [or] (h)
872 or (i) of this section, whichever is greater.

873 Sec. 10. Subsection (g) of section 9-612 of the 2010 supplement to the
874 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
875 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

876 (g) (1) As used in this subsection and subsections (h) and (i) of this
877 section:

878 (A) "Quasi-public agency" has the same meaning as provided in
879 section 1-120.

880 (B) "State agency" means any office, department, board, council,
881 commission, institution or other agency in the executive or legislative
882 branch of state government.

883 (C) "State contract" means an agreement or contract with the state or
884 any state agency or any quasi-public agency, let through a
885 procurement process or otherwise, having a value of fifty thousand
886 dollars or more, or a combination or series of such agreements or
887 contracts having a value of one hundred thousand dollars or more in a
888 calendar year, for (i) the rendition of services, (ii) the furnishing of any
889 goods, material, supplies, equipment or any items of any kind, (iii) the
890 construction, alteration or repair of any public building or public work,
891 (iv) the acquisition, sale or lease of any land or building, (v) a licensing

892 arrangement, or (vi) a grant, loan or loan guarantee. "State contract"
893 does not include any agreement or contract with the state, any state
894 agency or any quasi-public agency that is exclusively federally funded,
895 an education loan, a loan to an individual for other than commercial
896 purposes or any agreement or contract between the state or any state
897 agency and the United States Department of the Navy or the United
898 States Department of Defense.

899 (D) "State contractor" means a person, business entity or nonprofit
900 organization that enters into a state contract. Such person, business
901 entity or nonprofit organization shall be deemed to be a state
902 contractor until December thirty-first of the year in which such
903 contract terminates. "State contractor" does not include a municipality
904 or any other political subdivision of the state, including any entities or
905 associations duly created by the municipality or political subdivision
906 exclusively amongst themselves to further any purpose authorized by
907 statute or charter, or an employee in the executive or legislative branch
908 of state government or a quasi-public agency, whether in the classified
909 or unclassified service and full or part-time, and only in such person's
910 capacity as a state or quasi-public agency employee.

911 (E) "Prospective state contractor" means a person, business entity or
912 nonprofit organization that (i) submits a response to a state contract
913 solicitation by the state, a state agency or a quasi-public agency, or a
914 proposal in response to a request for proposals by the state, a state
915 agency or a quasi-public agency, until the contract has been entered
916 into, or (ii) holds a valid prequalification certificate issued by the
917 Commissioner of Administrative Services under section 4a-100.
918 "Prospective state contractor" does not include a municipality or any
919 other political subdivision of the state, including any entities or
920 associations duly created by the municipality or political subdivision
921 exclusively amongst themselves to further any purpose authorized by
922 statute or charter, or an employee in the executive or legislative branch
923 of state government or a quasi-public agency, whether in the classified
924 or unclassified service and full or part-time, and only in such person's

925 capacity as a state or quasi-public agency employee.

926 (F) "Principal of a state contractor or prospective state contractor"
927 means (i) any individual who is a member of the board of directors of,
928 or has an ownership interest of five per cent or more in, a state
929 contractor or prospective state contractor, which is a business entity,
930 except for an individual who is a member of the board of directors of a
931 nonprofit organization, (ii) an individual who is employed by a state
932 contractor or prospective state contractor, which is a business entity, as
933 president, treasurer or executive vice president, (iii) an individual who
934 is the chief executive officer of a state contractor or prospective state
935 contractor, which is not a business entity, or if a state contractor or
936 prospective state contractor has no such officer, then the officer who
937 duly possesses comparable powers and duties, (iv) an officer or an
938 employee of any state contractor or prospective state contractor who
939 has managerial or discretionary responsibilities with respect to a state
940 contract, (v) the spouse or a dependent child who is eighteen years of
941 age or older of an individual described in this subparagraph, or (vi) a
942 political committee established or controlled by an individual
943 described in this subparagraph or the business entity or nonprofit
944 organization that is the state contractor or prospective state contractor.

945 (G) "Dependent child" means a child residing in an individual's
946 household who may legally be claimed as a dependent on the federal
947 income tax return of such individual.

948 (H) "Managerial or discretionary responsibilities with respect to a
949 state contract" means having direct, extensive and substantive
950 responsibilities with respect to the negotiation of the state contract and
951 not peripheral, clerical or ministerial responsibilities.

952 (I) "Rendition of services" means the provision of any service to a
953 state agency or quasi-public agency in exchange for a fee,
954 remuneration or compensation of any kind from the state or through
955 an arrangement with the state.

956 (J) "State contract solicitation" means a request by a state agency or
957 quasi-public agency, in whatever form issued, including, but not
958 limited to, an invitation to bid, request for proposals, request for
959 information or request for quotes, inviting bids, quotes or other types
960 of submittals, through a competitive procurement process or another
961 process authorized by law waiving competitive procurement.

962 (K) "Subcontractor" means any person, business entity or nonprofit
963 organization that contracts to perform part or all of the obligations of a
964 state contractor's state contract. Such person, business entity or
965 nonprofit organization shall be deemed to be a subcontractor until
966 December thirty-first of the year in which the subcontract terminates.
967 "Subcontractor" does not include (i) a municipality or any other
968 political subdivision of the state, including any entities or associations
969 duly created by the municipality or political subdivision exclusively
970 amongst themselves to further any purpose authorized by statute or
971 charter, or (ii) an employee in the executive or legislative branch of
972 state government or a quasi-public agency, whether in the classified or
973 unclassified service and full or part-time, and only in such person's
974 capacity as a state or quasi-public agency employee.

975 (L) "Principal of a subcontractor " means (i) any individual who is a
976 member of the board of directors of, or has an ownership interest of
977 five per cent or more in, a subcontractor, which is a business entity,
978 except for an individual who is a member of the board of directors of a
979 nonprofit organization, (ii) an individual who is employed by a
980 subcontractor, which is a business entity, as president, treasurer or
981 executive vice president, (iii) an individual who is the chief executive
982 officer of a subcontractor, which is not a business entity, or if a
983 subcontractor has no such officer, then the officer who duly possesses
984 comparable powers and duties, (iv) an officer or an employee of any
985 subcontractor who has managerial or discretionary responsibilities
986 with respect to a subcontract with a state contractor, (v) the spouse or a
987 dependent child who is eighteen years of age or older of an individual
988 described in this subparagraph, or (vi) a political committee

989 established or controlled by an individual described in this
990 subparagraph or the business entity or nonprofit organization that is
991 the subcontractor.

992 [(2) On and after December 31, 2006:]

993 (2) (A) No state contractor, prospective state contractor, principal of
994 a state contractor or principal of a prospective state contractor, with
995 regard to a state contract or a state contract solicitation with or from a
996 state agency in the executive branch or a quasi-public agency or a
997 holder, or principal of a holder of a valid prequalification certificate,
998 shall make a contribution to, or, on and after January 1, 2011,
999 knowingly solicit contributions from the state contractor's or
1000 prospective state contractor's employees or from a subcontractor or
1001 principals of the subcontractor on behalf of (i) an exploratory
1002 committee or candidate committee established by a candidate for
1003 nomination or election to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor,
1004 Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State
1005 Treasurer, (ii) a political committee authorized to make contributions
1006 or expenditures to or for the benefit of such candidates, or (iii) a party
1007 committee;

1008 (B) No state contractor, prospective state contractor, principal of a
1009 state contractor or principal of a prospective state contractor, with
1010 regard to a state contract or a state contract solicitation with or from
1011 the General Assembly or a holder, or principal of a holder, of a valid
1012 prequalification certificate, shall make a contribution to, or, on and
1013 after January 1, 2011, knowingly solicit contributions from the state
1014 contractor's or prospective state contractor's employees or from a
1015 subcontractor or principals of the subcontractor on behalf of (i) an
1016 exploratory committee or candidate committee established by a
1017 candidate for nomination or election to the office of state senator or
1018 state representative, (ii) a political committee authorized to make
1019 contributions or expenditures to or for the benefit of such candidates,
1020 or (iii) a party committee;

1021 (C) If a state contractor or principal of a state contractor makes or
1022 solicits a contribution as prohibited under subparagraph (A) or (B) of
1023 this subdivision, as determined by the State Elections Enforcement
1024 Commission, the contracting state agency or quasi-public agency may,
1025 in the case of a state contract executed on or after February 8, 2007,
1026 void the existing contract with said contractor, and no state agency or
1027 quasi-public agency shall award the state contractor a state contract or
1028 an extension or an amendment to a state contract for one year after the
1029 election for which such contribution is made or solicited unless the
1030 commission determines that mitigating circumstances exist concerning
1031 such violation. No violation of the prohibitions contained in
1032 subparagraph (A) or (B) of this subdivision shall be deemed to have
1033 occurred if, and only if, the improper contribution is returned to the
1034 principal by the later of thirty days after receipt of such contribution
1035 by the recipient committee treasurer or the filing date that corresponds
1036 with the reporting period in which such contribution was made; and

1037 (D) If a prospective state contractor or principal of a prospective
1038 state contractor makes or solicits a contribution as prohibited under
1039 subparagraph (A) or (B) of this subdivision, as determined by the State
1040 Elections Enforcement Commission, no state agency or quasi-public
1041 agency shall award the prospective state contractor the contract
1042 described in the state contract solicitation or any other state contract
1043 for one year after the election for which such contribution is made or
1044 solicited unless the commission determines that mitigating
1045 circumstances exist concerning such violation. The Commissioner of
1046 Administrative Services shall notify applicants of the provisions of this
1047 subparagraph and subparagraphs (A) and (B) of this subdivision
1048 during the prequalification application process.

1049 (E) The State Elections Enforcement Commission shall make
1050 available to each state agency and quasi-public agency a written notice
1051 advising state contractors and prospective state contractors of the
1052 contribution and solicitation prohibitions contained in subparagraphs
1053 (A) and (B) of this subdivision. Such notice shall: (i) Direct each state

1054 contractor and prospective state contractor to inform each individual
1055 described in subparagraph (F) of subdivision (1) of this subsection,
1056 with regard to said state contractor or prospective state contractor,
1057 about the provisions of subparagraph (A) or (B) of this subdivision,
1058 whichever is applicable, and this subparagraph; (ii) inform each state
1059 contractor and prospective state contractor of the civil and criminal
1060 penalties that could be imposed for violations of such prohibitions if
1061 any such contribution is made or solicited; (iii) inform each state
1062 contractor and prospective state contractor that, in the case of a state
1063 contractor, if any such contribution is made or solicited, the contract
1064 may be voided; (iv) inform each state contractor and prospective state
1065 contractor that, in the case of a prospective state contractor, if any such
1066 contribution is made or solicited, the contract described in the state
1067 contract solicitation shall not be awarded, unless the commission
1068 determines that mitigating circumstances exist concerning such
1069 violation; and (v) inform each state contractor and prospective state
1070 contractor that the state will not award any other state contract to
1071 anyone found in violation of such prohibitions for a period of one year
1072 after the election for which such contribution is made or solicited,
1073 unless the commission determines that mitigating circumstances exist
1074 concerning such violation. Each state agency and quasi-public agency
1075 shall distribute such notice to the chief executive officer of its
1076 contractors and prospective state contractors, or an authorized
1077 signatory to a state contract, and shall obtain a written
1078 acknowledgement of the receipt of such notice.

1079 (3) (A) On and after December 31, 2006, neither the Governor,
1080 Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary
1081 of the State or State Treasurer, any candidate for any such office nor
1082 any agent of any such official or candidate shall knowingly, wilfully or
1083 intentionally solicit contributions on behalf of an exploratory
1084 committee or candidate committee established by a candidate for
1085 nomination or election to any public office, a political committee or a
1086 party committee, from a person who he or she knows is prohibited
1087 from making contributions, including a principal of a state contractor

1088 or prospective state contractor with regard to a state contract
1089 solicitation with or from a state agency in the executive branch or a
1090 quasi-public agency or a holder of a valid prequalification certificate.

1091 (B) On and after December 31, 2006, neither a member of the
1092 General Assembly, any candidate for any such office nor any agent of
1093 any such official or candidate shall knowingly, wilfully or intentionally
1094 solicit contributions on behalf of an exploratory committee or
1095 candidate committee established by a candidate for nomination or
1096 election to any public office, a political committee or a party
1097 committee, from a person who he or she knows is prohibited from
1098 making contributions, including a principal of a state contractor or
1099 prospective state contractor with regard to a state contract solicitation
1100 with or from the General Assembly or a holder of a valid
1101 prequalification certificate.

1102 (4) The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to the campaign
1103 of a principal of a state contractor or prospective state contractor or to
1104 a principal of a state contractor or prospective state contractor who is
1105 an elected public official.

1106 (5) Each state contractor and prospective state contractor shall make
1107 reasonable efforts to comply with the provisions of this subsection. If
1108 the State Elections Enforcement Commission determines that a state
1109 contractor or prospective state contractor has failed to make reasonable
1110 efforts to comply with this subsection, the commission may impose
1111 civil penalties against such state contractor or prospective state
1112 contractor in accordance with subsection (a) of section 9-7b.

1113 Sec. 11. Subsection (c) of section 9-704 of the general statutes is
1114 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
1115 *passage*):

1116 (c) The following shall not be deemed to be qualifying contributions
1117 under subsection (a) of this section and shall be returned by the
1118 campaign treasurer of the candidate committee to the contributor or

1119 transmitted to the State Elections Enforcement Commission for deposit
1120 in the Citizens' Election Fund:

1121 [(1) A contribution from a communicator lobbyist or a member of
1122 the immediate family of a communicator lobbyist;]

1123 [(2)] (1) A contribution from a principal of a state contractor or
1124 prospective state contractor;

1125 [(3)] (2) A contribution of less than five dollars, and a contribution of
1126 five dollars or more from an individual who does not provide the full
1127 name and complete address of the individual; and

1128 [(4)] (3) A contribution under subdivision (1) or (2) of subsection (a)
1129 of this section from an individual who does not reside in the state, in
1130 excess of the applicable limit on contributions from out-of-state
1131 individuals in subsection (a) of this section.

1132 Sec. 12. Subsection (e) of section 9-704 of the general statutes is
1133 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
1134 *passage*):

1135 (e) As used in this section, [(1) "communicator lobbyist" has the
1136 same meaning as provided in section 1-91, (2) "immediate family"
1137 means the spouse or a dependent child of an individual, and (3)]
1138 "principal of a state contractor or prospective state contractor" has the
1139 same meaning as provided in subsection (g) of section 9-612, as
1140 amended by this act.

1141 Sec. 13. Subsection (b) of section 9-601a of the general statutes is
1142 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
1143 *passage and applicable to primaries and elections held on and after said date*):

1144 (b) As used in this chapter and sections 9-700 to 9-716, inclusive, as
1145 amended by this act, "contribution" does not mean:

1146 (1) A loan of money made in the ordinary course of business by a

1147 national or state bank;

1148 (2) Any communication made by a corporation, organization or
1149 association to its members, owners, stockholders, executive or
1150 administrative personnel, or their families;

1151 (3) Nonpartisan voter registration and get-out-the-vote campaigns
1152 by any corporation, organization or association aimed at its members,
1153 owners, stockholders, executive or administrative personnel, or their
1154 families;

1155 (4) Uncompensated services provided by individuals volunteering
1156 their time;

1157 (5) The use of real or personal property, and the cost of invitations,
1158 food or beverages, voluntarily provided by an individual to a
1159 candidate or on behalf of a state central or town committee, in
1160 rendering voluntary personal services for candidate or party-related
1161 activities at the individual's residence, to the extent that the cumulative
1162 value of the invitations, food or beverages provided by the individual
1163 on behalf of any single candidate does not exceed two hundred dollars
1164 with respect to any single election, and on behalf of all state central
1165 and town committees does not exceed four hundred dollars in any
1166 calendar year;

1167 (6) The sale of food or beverage for use in a candidate's campaign or
1168 for use by a state central or town committee at a discount, if the charge
1169 is not less than the cost to the vendor, to the extent that the cumulative
1170 value of the discount given to or on behalf of any single candidate does
1171 not exceed two hundred dollars with respect to any single election,
1172 and on behalf of all state central and town committees does not exceed
1173 four hundred dollars in a calendar year;

1174 (7) Any unreimbursed payment for travel expenses made by an
1175 individual who on the individual's own behalf volunteers the
1176 individual's personal services to any single candidate to the extent the

1177 cumulative value does not exceed two hundred dollars with respect to
1178 any single election, and on behalf of all state central or town
1179 committees does not exceed four hundred dollars in a calendar year;

1180 (8) The payment, by a party committee, political committee or an
1181 individual, of the costs of preparation, display, mailing or other
1182 distribution incurred by the committee or individual with respect to
1183 any printed slate card, sample ballot or other printed list containing
1184 the names of three or more candidates;

1185 (9) The donation of any item of personal property by an individual
1186 to a committee for a fund-raising affair, including a tag sale or auction,
1187 or the purchase by an individual of any such item at such an affair, to
1188 the extent that the cumulative value donated or purchased does not
1189 exceed fifty dollars;

1190 (10) (A) The purchase of advertising space which clearly identifies
1191 the purchaser, in a program for a fund-raising affair sponsored by the
1192 candidate committee of a candidate for an office of a municipality,
1193 provided the cumulative purchase of such space does not exceed two
1194 hundred fifty dollars from any single such candidate or the candidate's
1195 committee with respect to any single election campaign if the
1196 purchaser is a business entity or fifty dollars for purchases by any
1197 other person;

1198 (B) The purchase of advertising space which clearly identifies the
1199 purchaser, in a program for a fund-raising affair sponsored by a town
1200 committee, provided the cumulative purchase of such space does not
1201 exceed two hundred fifty dollars from any single town committee in
1202 any calendar year if the purchaser is a business entity or fifty dollars
1203 for purchases by any other person. Notwithstanding the provisions of
1204 this subparagraph, the following may not purchase advertising space
1205 in a program for a fund-raising affair sponsored by a town committee:
1206 (i) A communicator lobbyist, (ii) a member of the immediate family of
1207 a communicator lobbyist, (iii) a state contractor, (iv) a prospective state
1208 contractor, or (v) a principal of a state contractor or prospective state

1209 contractor. As used in this subparagraph, "state contractor",
1210 "prospective state contractor" and "principal of a state contractor or
1211 prospective state contractor" have the same meanings as provided in
1212 subsection (g) of section 9-612, as amended by this act;

1213 (11) The payment of money by a candidate to the candidate's
1214 candidate committee;

1215 (12) The donation of goods or services by a business entity to a
1216 committee for a fund-raising affair, including a tag sale or auction, to
1217 the extent that the cumulative value donated does not exceed one
1218 hundred dollars;

1219 (13) The advance of a security deposit by an individual to a
1220 telephone company, as defined in section 16-1, for telecommunications
1221 service for a committee, provided the security deposit is refunded to
1222 the individual;

1223 (14) The provision of facilities, equipment, technical and managerial
1224 support, and broadcast time by a community antenna television
1225 company, as defined in section 16-1, for community access
1226 programming pursuant to section 16-331a, unless (A) the major
1227 purpose of providing such facilities, equipment, support and time is to
1228 influence the nomination or election of a candidate, or (B) such
1229 facilities, equipment, support and time are provided on behalf of a
1230 political party;

1231 (15) The sale of food or beverage by a town committee to an
1232 individual at a town fair, county fair or similar mass gathering held
1233 within the state, to the extent that the cumulative payment made by
1234 any one individual for such items does not exceed fifty dollars; [or]

1235 (16) An organization expenditure by a party committee, legislative
1236 caucus committee or legislative leadership committee;

1237 (17) The donation of food or beverage by an individual for
1238 consumption at a slate, candidate, legislative caucus, legislative

1239 leadership or party committee meeting, event or activity that is not a
1240 fundraising affair to the extent that the cumulative value of the food or
1241 beverages donated by an individual for a single meeting or event does
1242 not exceed fifty dollars;

1243 (18) The value associated with the de minimis campaign activity on
1244 behalf of a party committee, political committee, slate committee
1245 legislative caucus committee, legislative leadership committee, or
1246 candidate committee, including for activities undertaken for the
1247 benefit of participating and nonparticipating candidates under the
1248 Citizens' Election Program of sending of electronic mail or messages
1249 from an individual's personal computer or cellular telephone when
1250 compensation is not remitted to such individual for the sending of
1251 such electronic mail or messages; or

1252 (19) The display of a lawn sign by a human being or on real
1253 property.

1254 Sec. 14. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) After each general election,
1255 the State Elections Enforcement Commission shall compile and analyze
1256 the following:

1257 (1) The amount of grants made during the election cycle from the
1258 Citizens' Election Fund established under section 9-701 of the general
1259 statutes;

1260 (2) The amount of expenditures reported by each candidate
1261 participating in the Citizens' Election Program established under
1262 section 9-702 of the general statutes and by each candidate not
1263 participating in the program during the election cycle;

1264 (3) The amount of money returned to the Citizens' Election Fund
1265 during the election cycle by each candidate;

1266 (4) The overall and average amounts of spending for each election
1267 contest for each office during the election cycle; and

1268 (5) The amount of independent expenditures for each election
 1269 contest for each office during the election cycle.

1270 (b) Not later than January 1, 2012, and biennially thereafter, the
 1271 State Elections Enforcement Commission shall report its analysis
 1272 conducted under subsection (a) of this section and any
 1273 recommendations for adjustments to grant amounts under the
 1274 Citizens' Election Program to the joint standing committee of the
 1275 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to elections in
 1276 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes.

1277 Sec. 15. Sections 9-713 and 9-714 of the general statutes are repealed.
 1278 (*Effective from passage*)

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	9-717
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	9-702
Sec. 3	<i>from passage</i>	9-705
Sec. 4	<i>from passage</i>	9-707
Sec. 5	<i>from passage</i>	9-712
Sec. 6	<i>from passage</i>	9-716
Sec. 7	<i>from passage</i>	9-601
Sec. 8	<i>from passage</i>	9-601(16)
Sec. 9	<i>from passage</i>	9-610
Sec. 10	<i>from passage</i>	9-612(g)
Sec. 11	<i>from passage</i>	9-704(c)
Sec. 12	<i>from passage</i>	9-704(e)
Sec. 13	<i>from passage and applicable to primaries and elections held on and after said date</i>	9-601a(b)
Sec. 14	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 15	<i>from passage</i>	Repealer section