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**"AN ACT CONCERNING CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM."**

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

3 "Section 1. Subdivision (3) of section 9-601 of the general statutes is  
4 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
5 *passage*):

6 (3) "Political committee" means (A) a committee organized by a  
7 business entity or organization, (B) persons other than individuals, or  
8 two or more individuals organized or acting jointly conducting their  
9 activities in or outside the state, (C) an exploratory committee, (D) a  
10 committee established by or on behalf of a slate of candidates in a  
11 primary for the office of justice of the peace, but does not mean a  
12 candidate committee or a party committee, (E) a legislative caucus

13 committee, [or] (F) a legislative leadership committee, or (G) an  
 14 independent expenditure political committee, as defined in section 2 of  
 15 this act.

16 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) As used in chapters 155 and 157  
 17 of the general statutes, "independent expenditure political committee"  
 18 means a political committee that makes only (1) independent  
 19 expenditures, as defined in section 9-601c of the general statutes, and  
 20 (2) contributions to other independent expenditure political  
 21 committees.

22 Sec. 3. Subdivision (1) of subsection (g) of section 9-607 of the  
 23 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
 24 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

25 (g) (1) As used in this subsection, (A) "the lawful purposes of the  
 26 committee" means: (i) For a candidate committee or exploratory  
 27 committee, the promoting of the nomination or election of the  
 28 candidate who established the committee, except that after a political  
 29 party nominates candidates for election to the offices of Governor and  
 30 Lieutenant Governor, whose names shall be so placed on the ballot in  
 31 the election that an elector will cast a single vote for both candidates,  
 32 as prescribed in section 9-181, a candidate committee established by  
 33 either such candidate may also promote the election of the other such  
 34 candidate; (ii) for a political committee, other than an independent  
 35 expenditure political committee described in subparagraph (A)(iv) of  
 36 this subdivision, the promoting of (I) a political party, including party  
 37 building activities, (II) the success or defeat of candidates for  
 38 nomination [and] or election to public office or position subject to the  
 39 requirements of this chapter, or (III) the success or defeat of  
 40 referendum questions, provided a political committee formed for a  
 41 single referendum question shall not promote the success or defeat of  
 42 any candidate, and provided further a legislative leadership committee  
 43 or a legislative caucus committee may expend funds to defray costs for  
 44 conducting legislative or constituency-related business which are not

45 reimbursed or paid by the state; [and] (iii) for a party committee, the  
 46 promoting of the party, party building activities, the candidates of the  
 47 party and continuing operating costs of the party; and (iv) for an  
 48 independent expenditure political committee, the promoting of (I) a  
 49 political party, (II) the success or defeat of candidates for nomination  
 50 or election to public office or position subject to the requirements of  
 51 this chapter, or (III) the success or defeat of referendum questions,  
 52 provided an independent expenditure political committee shall act  
 53 entirely independently of a candidate, candidate committee, party  
 54 committee or political committee that is not an independent  
 55 expenditure political committee, or any agent of such candidate or  
 56 committee, and (B) "immediate family" means a spouse or dependent  
 57 child of a candidate who resides in the candidate's household.

58 Sec. 4. Subsection (c) of section 9-608 of the general statutes is  
 59 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
 60 *passage*):

61 (c) (1) Each statement filed under subsection (a), (e) or (f) of this  
 62 section shall include, but not be limited to: (A) An itemized accounting  
 63 of each contribution, if any, including the full name and complete  
 64 address of each contributor and the amount of the contribution; (B) an  
 65 itemized accounting of each expenditure, if any, including the full  
 66 name and complete address of each payee, including secondary payees  
 67 whenever the primary or principal payee is known to include charges  
 68 which the primary payee has already paid or will pay directly to  
 69 another person, vendor or entity, the amount and the purpose of the  
 70 expenditure, the candidate supported or opposed by the expenditure,  
 71 whether the expenditure is made independently of the candidate  
 72 supported or is an in-kind contribution to the candidate, and a  
 73 statement of the balance on hand or deficit, as the case may be; (C) an  
 74 itemized accounting of each expense incurred but not paid, provided if  
 75 the expense is incurred by use of a credit card, the accounting shall  
 76 include secondary payees, and the amount owed to each such payee;  
 77 (D) the name and address of any person who is the guarantor of a loan

78 to, or the cosigner of a note with, the candidate on whose behalf the  
79 committee was formed, or the treasurer in the case of a party  
80 committee or a political committee or who has advanced a security  
81 deposit to a telephone company, as defined in section 16-1, for  
82 telecommunications service for a committee; (E) for each business  
83 entity or person purchasing advertising space in a program for a fund-  
84 raising affair or on signs at a fund-raising affair, the name and address  
85 of the business entity or the name and address of the person, and the  
86 amount and aggregate amounts of such purchases; (F) for each  
87 individual who contributes in excess of one hundred dollars but not  
88 more than one thousand dollars, in the aggregate, to the extent known,  
89 the principal occupation of such individual and the name of the  
90 individual's employer, if any; (G) for each individual who contributes  
91 in excess of one thousand dollars in the aggregate, the principal  
92 occupation of such individual and the name of the individual's  
93 employer, if any; (H) for each itemized contribution made by a  
94 lobbyist, the spouse of a lobbyist or any dependent child of a lobbyist  
95 who resides in the lobbyist's household, a statement to that effect; and  
96 (I) for each individual who contributes in excess of four hundred  
97 dollars in the aggregate to or for the benefit of any candidate's  
98 campaign for nomination at a primary or election to the office of chief  
99 executive officer or a slate or town committee financing the  
100 nomination or election or a candidate for chief executive officer of a  
101 town, city or borough, a statement indicating whether the individual  
102 or a business with which he is associated has a contract with said  
103 municipality that is valued at more than five thousand dollars. Each  
104 treasurer shall include in such statement (i) an itemized accounting of  
105 the receipts and expenditures relative to any testimonial affair held  
106 under the provisions of section 9-609 or any other fund-raising affair,  
107 which is referred to in subsection (b) of section 9-601a, and (ii) the date,  
108 location and a description of the affair, except that a treasurer shall not  
109 be required to include the name of any individual who has purchased  
110 items at a fund-raising affair or food at a town fair, county fair or  
111 similar mass gathering, if the cumulative value of items purchased by

112 such individual does not exceed one hundred dollars, or the name of  
113 any individual who has donated food or beverages for a meeting. A  
114 treasurer shall not be required to report or retain any receipts or  
115 expenditures related to any de minimis donations described in  
116 subdivision (17) of subsection (b) of section 9-601a.

117 (2) Each contributor described in subparagraph (F), (G), (H) or (I) of  
118 subdivision (1) of this subsection shall, at the time the contributor  
119 makes such a contribution, provide the information that the treasurer  
120 is required to include under said subparagraph in the statement filed  
121 under subsection (a), (e) or (f) of this section. Notwithstanding any  
122 provision of subdivision (2) of section 9-7b, any contributor described  
123 in subparagraph (F) of subdivision (1) of this subsection who does not  
124 provide such information at the time the contributor makes such a  
125 contribution and any treasurer shall not be subject to the provisions of  
126 subdivision (2) of section 9-7b. If a treasurer receives a contribution  
127 from an individual which separately, or in the aggregate, is in excess of  
128 one thousand dollars and the contributor has not provided the  
129 information required by said subparagraph (G) or if a treasurer  
130 receives a contribution from an individual to or for the benefit of any  
131 candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary or election to the  
132 office of chief executive officer of a town, city or borough, which  
133 separately, or in the aggregate, is in excess of four hundred dollars and  
134 the contributor has not provided the information required by said  
135 subparagraph (I), the treasurer: (i) Not later than three business days  
136 after receiving the contribution, shall send a request for such  
137 information to the contributor by certified mail, return receipt  
138 requested; (ii) shall not deposit the contribution until the treasurer  
139 obtains such information from the contributor, notwithstanding the  
140 provisions of section 9-606; and (iii) shall return the contribution to the  
141 contributor if the contributor does not provide the required  
142 information not later than fourteen days after the treasurer's written  
143 request or the end of the reporting period in which the contribution  
144 was received, whichever is later. Any failure of a contributor to

145 provide the information which the treasurer is required to include  
146 under said subparagraph (F) or (H), which results in noncompliance  
147 by the treasurer with the provisions of said subparagraph (F) or (H),  
148 shall be a complete defense to any action against the treasurer for  
149 failure to disclose such information.

150 (3) In addition to the requirements of subdivision (2) of this  
151 subsection, each contributor who makes a contribution to a candidate  
152 or exploratory committee for Governor, Lieutenant Governor,  
153 Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State, State  
154 Treasurer, state senator or state representative, any political committee  
155 authorized to make contributions to such candidates or committees,  
156 and any party committee that separately, or in the aggregate, exceeds  
157 fifty dollars shall provide with the contribution: (A) The name of the  
158 contributor's employer, if any; (B) the contributor's status as a  
159 communicator lobbyist, as defined in section 1-91, a member of the  
160 immediate family of a communicator lobbyist, a state contractor, a  
161 prospective state contractor or a principal of a state contractor or  
162 prospective state contractor, as defined in section 9-612, as amended by  
163 this act; and (C) a certification that the contributor is not prohibited  
164 from making a contribution to such candidate or committee. The State  
165 Elections Enforcement Commission shall prepare a sample form for  
166 such certification by the contributor and shall make it available to  
167 treasurers and contributors. Such sample form shall include an  
168 explanation of the terms "communicator lobbyist", "principal of a state  
169 contractor or prospective state contractor", "immediate family", "state  
170 contractor" and "prospective state contractor". The information on such  
171 sample form shall be included in any written solicitation conducted by  
172 any such committee. If a treasurer receives such a contribution and the  
173 contributor has not provided such certification, the treasurer shall: (i)  
174 Not later than three business days after receiving the contribution,  
175 send a request for the certification to the contributor by certified mail,  
176 return receipt requested; (ii) not deposit the contribution until the  
177 treasurer obtains the certification from the contributor,

178 notwithstanding the provisions of section 9-606; and (iii) return the  
 179 contribution to the contributor if the contributor does not provide the  
 180 certification not later than fourteen days after the treasurer's written  
 181 request or at the end of the reporting period in which the contribution  
 182 was received, whichever is later. No treasurer shall be required to  
 183 obtain and keep more than one certification from each contributor,  
 184 unless information certified to by the contributor, other than the  
 185 amount contributed, changes. If a treasurer deposits a contribution  
 186 based on a certification that is later determined to be false, the  
 187 treasurer shall have a complete defense to any action, including, but  
 188 not limited to, any complaint investigated by the State Elections  
 189 Enforcement Commission or any other investigation initiated by [said]  
 190 the commission, against such treasurer for the receipt of such  
 191 contribution.

192 (4) When an independent expenditure political committee discloses  
 193 a contribution or contributions pursuant to subparagraph (A) of  
 194 subdivision (1) of this subsection in excess of one thousand dollars, in  
 195 the aggregate, and the contributor is also a recipient of a covered  
 196 transfer, the independent expenditure political committee shall include  
 197 for any covered transfer or transfers in excess of five thousand dollars,  
 198 in the aggregate, the source and the amount of such covered transfer or  
 199 transfers to such contributor during the twelve-month period  
 200 immediately prior to the primary or election, as applicable.

201 (5) (A) If a person makes a contribution or contributions in excess of  
 202 one thousand dollars, in the aggregate, to an independent expenditure  
 203 political committee and such person derives all funds of such  
 204 contribution or contributions from a dedicated independent  
 205 expenditure account established by such person that is segregated  
 206 from all other accounts controlled by such person, such person shall  
 207 provide to the treasurer of such committee the source and the amount  
 208 of each donation, transfer or payment that is in excess of five thousand  
 209 dollars, in the aggregate, to such dedicated account. Such dedicated  
 210 independent expenditure account may receive covered transfers

211 directly from persons other than the person who established such  
212 dedicated account and shall not receive covered transfers from any  
213 other account controlled by the person who established such dedicated  
214 account, except as provided in subparagraph (B) of this subdivision.  
215 The treasurer of such independent expenditure political committee  
216 shall include the information so provided under this subdivision with  
217 the disclosure of such contribution or contributions.

218 (B) If a person who made a covered transfer to any other account  
219 controlled by the person who established a dedicated independent  
220 expenditure account requests that such covered transfer be used for  
221 the purpose of making an independent expenditure or expenditures  
222 from such dedicated account, the amount of such covered transfer may  
223 be transferred to such dedicated account and shall be treated as a  
224 covered transfer directly to such dedicated account.

225 (6) If a person makes a contribution or contributions in excess of one  
226 thousand dollars, in the aggregate, to an independent expenditure  
227 political committee and such person derives any funds of such  
228 contribution or contributions from any source other than a dedicated  
229 independent expenditure account established by such person that is  
230 segregated from all other accounts controlled by such person, such  
231 person shall provide to the treasurer of such committee the source and  
232 the amount of each donation, transfer or payment to such person that  
233 is in excess of five thousand dollars, in the aggregate, during the  
234 twelve-month period prior to the primary or election, as applicable, for  
235 which an independent expenditure is made. The treasurer of such  
236 independent expenditure political committee shall include the  
237 information so provided under this subdivision with the disclosure of  
238 such contribution or contributions.

239 (7) (A) The treasurer of an independent expenditure political  
240 committee shall not accept a contribution or contributions in excess of  
241 one thousand dollars, in the aggregate, unless the information required  
242 to be provided under subdivision (8) of this subsection is so provided.



243       (B) The recipient of a covered transfer or transfers in excess of five  
 244 thousand dollars, in the aggregate, shall not knowingly make any  
 245 contribution to an independent expenditure political committee unless  
 246 the information required to be disclosed or provided, as applicable,  
 247 under subdivision (4), (5) or (6) of this subsection is so disclosed or  
 248 provided.

249       (8) In addition to the requirements of subdivision (2) of this  
 250 subsection, each contributor who is the recipient of any covered  
 251 transfer or transfers that, in the aggregate, exceed five thousand dollars  
 252 and who makes a contribution to an independent expenditure political  
 253 committee that separately, or in the aggregate, exceeds one thousand  
 254 dollars per calendar year shall provide with the contribution a  
 255 statement signed under penalty of false statement, which statement  
 256 shall include: (A) If the contributor is a human being, the name of the  
 257 contributor's employer or employers, if any; (B) the contributor's status  
 258 as a client lobbyist or communicator lobbyist, as defined in section 1-  
 259 91, or a member of the immediate family of a communicator lobbyist;  
 260 (C) a certification that the contributor is not a state contractor, a  
 261 principal of a state contractor, a foreign-influenced entity or otherwise  
 262 prohibited from making such contribution; and (D) the name of any  
 263 person required to be disclosed or provided, as applicable, under  
 264 subdivision (4), (5) or (6) of this subsection and the amounts of the  
 265 covered transfers of any such person. The State Elections Enforcement  
 266 Commission shall prepare a form for such certification by the  
 267 contributor and shall make it available to treasurers and contributors.  
 268 Such form shall include an explanation of the terms "covered transfer"  
 269 and "campaign-related disbursement", as they are defined in section 9-  
 270 601, as amended by this act, as well as notice of the prior authorization  
 271 requirements set forth in section 13 of this act. The information on such  
 272 sample form shall be included in any written solicitation conducted by  
 273 such independent expenditure political committee. If a treasurer  
 274 receives a contribution and the contributor has not provided such  
 275 certification, the treasurer shall: (i) Not later than three business days

276 after receiving the contribution, send a request for the certification to  
277 the contributor by certified mail, return receipt requested; (ii) not  
278 deposit the contribution until the treasurer obtains the certification  
279 from the contributor, notwithstanding the provisions of section 9-606;  
280 and (iii) return the contribution to the contributor if the contributor  
281 does not provide the certification not later than fourteen days after the  
282 treasurer's written request or at the end of the reporting period in  
283 which the contribution was received, whichever is later. If a treasurer  
284 deposits a contribution based on a certification signed under penalty of  
285 false statement that is later determined to be false, the treasurer shall  
286 have a complete defense to any action, including, but not limited to,  
287 any complaint investigated by the State Elections Enforcement  
288 Commission or any other investigation initiated by the commission,  
289 against such treasurer for the receipt of such contribution.

290 [(4)] (9) Contributions from a single individual to a treasurer in the  
291 aggregate totaling fifty dollars or less need not be individually  
292 identified in the statement, but a sum representing the total amount of  
293 all such contributions made by all such individuals during the period  
294 to be covered by such statement shall be a separate entry, identified  
295 only by the words "total contributions from small contributors".

296 [(5)] (10) Each statement filed by the treasurer of a party committee,  
297 a legislative caucus committee or a legislative leadership committee  
298 shall include an itemized accounting of each organization expenditure  
299 made by the committee. Concomitant with the filing of any such  
300 statement containing an accounting of an organization expenditure  
301 made by the committee for the benefit of any candidate for the office of  
302 state senator, state representative, Governor, Lieutenant Governor,  
303 Attorney General, Secretary of the State, State Comptroller or State  
304 Treasurer such treasurer shall provide notice of the organization  
305 expenditure to the candidate committee of such candidate.

306 [(6)] (11) The commission shall post a link on the home page of the  
307 commission's Internet web site to a listing of all organizational

308 expenditures reported by a party, legislative leadership or caucus  
 309 committee under subdivision [(5)] (10) of this subsection. Such  
 310 information shall include reported information on the committee  
 311 making the expenditure, the committee receiving the expenditure and  
 312 the date and purpose for the expenditure.

313 [(7)] (12) Statements filed in accordance with this section shall  
 314 remain public records of the state for five years from the date such  
 315 statements are filed.

316 Sec. 5. Subparagraph (C) of subdivision (1) of subsection (e) of  
 317 section 9-608 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is  
 318 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

319 (C) (i) Each political committee formed solely to aid or promote the  
 320 success or defeat of any referendum question, which does not receive  
 321 contributions from a business entity or an organization, shall distribute  
 322 its surplus to a party committee, to a political committee organized for  
 323 ongoing political activities, to a national committee of a political party,  
 324 to all contributors to the committee on a prorated basis of contribution,  
 325 to state or municipal governments or agencies or to any organization  
 326 which is a tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the  
 327 Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding  
 328 internal revenue code of the United States, as from time to time  
 329 amended. (ii) Each political committee formed solely to aid or promote  
 330 the success or defeat of any referendum question, which receives  
 331 contributions from a business entity or an organization, and each  
 332 independent expenditure political committee other than an  
 333 independent expenditure political committee formed for ongoing  
 334 political activities, shall distribute its surplus to all contributors to the  
 335 committee on a prorated basis of contribution, to state or municipal  
 336 governments or agencies, or to any organization which is tax-exempt  
 337 under said provisions of the Internal Revenue Code. Notwithstanding  
 338 the provisions of this subsection, a committee formed for a single  
 339 referendum shall not be required to expend its surplus not later than

340 ninety days after the referendum and may continue in existence if a  
 341 substantially similar referendum question on the same issue will be  
 342 submitted to the electorate within six months after the first  
 343 referendum. If two or more substantially similar referenda on the same  
 344 issue are submitted to the electorate, each no more than six months  
 345 apart, the committee shall expend such surplus within ninety days  
 346 following the date of the last such referendum;

347 Sec. 6. Subsection (a) of section 9-612 of the general statutes is  
 348 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
 349 *passage*):

350 (a) No individual shall make a contribution or contributions in any  
 351 one calendar year in excess of ten thousand dollars to the state central  
 352 committee of any party, or for the benefit of such committee pursuant  
 353 to its authorization or request; or two thousand dollars to a town  
 354 committee of any political party, or for the benefit of such committee  
 355 pursuant to its authorization or request; or two thousand dollars to a  
 356 legislative caucus committee or legislative leadership committee; [.] or  
 357 one thousand dollars to any other political committee other than (1) a  
 358 political committee formed solely to aid or promote the success or  
 359 defeat of a referendum question, (2) an exploratory committee, (3) a  
 360 political committee established by an organization, or for the benefit of  
 361 such committee pursuant to its authorization or request, [or] (4) a  
 362 political committee formed by a slate of candidates in a primary for the  
 363 office of justice of the peace of the same town, or (5) an independent  
 364 expenditure political committee.

365 Sec. 7. Section 9-613 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 366 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

367 (a) [No] Except as provided in subsection (g) of this section, a  
 368 business entity shall not make any contributions or expenditures (1) to,  
 369 or for the benefit of, any candidate's campaign (A) for election to any  
 370 public office or position subject to this chapter, or (B) for nomination at

371 a primary for any such office or position, or (2) to promote the defeat  
 372 of any candidate for any such office or position. [No] A business entity  
 373 shall not make any other contributions or expenditures to promote the  
 374 success or defeat of any political party. [, except as provided in  
 375 subsection (b) of this section. No] A business entity shall not establish  
 376 more than one political committee. A political committee shall be  
 377 deemed to have been established by a business entity if the initial  
 378 disbursement or contribution to the committee is made under  
 379 subsection (b) of this section or by an officer, director, owner, limited  
 380 or general partner or holder of stock constituting five per cent or more  
 381 of the total outstanding stock of any class of the business entity.

382 (b) A business entity may make reasonable and necessary transfers  
 383 or disbursements to, or for the benefit of, a political committee  
 384 established by such business entity, for the administration of, or  
 385 solicitation of contributions to, such political committee. Nonmonetary  
 386 contributions by a business entity which are incidental in nature and  
 387 are directly attributable to the administration of such political  
 388 committee shall be exempt from the reporting requirements of this  
 389 chapter.

390 (c) The provisions of this section shall not preclude a business entity  
 391 from making contributions or expenditures to promote the success or  
 392 defeat of a referendum question.

393 (d) [A] Except as provided in subsection (g) of this section, a  
 394 political committee organized by a business entity shall not make a  
 395 contribution or contributions to, or for the benefit of, any candidate's  
 396 campaign for nomination at a primary or any candidate's campaign for  
 397 election to the office of: (1) Governor, in excess of five thousand  
 398 dollars; (2) Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, Treasurer,  
 399 Comptroller or Attorney General, in excess of three thousand dollars;  
 400 (3) state senator, probate judge or chief executive officer of a town, city  
 401 or borough, in excess of one thousand five hundred dollars; (4) state  
 402 representative, in excess of seven hundred fifty dollars; or (5) any other

403 office of a municipality not included in subdivision (3) of this  
404 subsection, in excess of three hundred seventy-five dollars. The limits  
405 imposed by this subsection shall apply separately to primaries and  
406 elections and contributions by any such committee to candidates  
407 designated in this subsection shall not exceed one hundred thousand  
408 dollars in the aggregate for any single election and primary  
409 preliminary thereto. Contributions to such committees shall also be  
410 subject to the provisions of section 9-618, as amended by this act, in the  
411 case of committees formed for ongoing political activity or section 9-  
412 619, as amended by this act, in the case of committees formed for a  
413 single election or primary.

414 (e) [No] Except as provided in subsection (g) of this section, a  
415 political committee organized by a business entity shall not make a  
416 contribution or contributions to (1) a state central committee of a  
417 political party, in excess of seven thousand five hundred dollars in any  
418 calendar year, (2) a town committee of any political party, in excess of  
419 one thousand five hundred dollars in any calendar year, (3) an  
420 exploratory committee in excess of three hundred seventy-five dollars,  
421 or (4) any other kind of political committee, in excess of two thousand  
422 dollars in any calendar year.

423 (f) As used in this subsection, "investment services" means  
424 investment legal services, investment banking services, investment  
425 advisory services, underwriting services, financial advisory services or  
426 brokerage firm services. [No] A political committee established by a  
427 firm which provides investment services and to which the State  
428 Treasurer pays compensation, expenses or fees or issues a contract  
429 shall not make a contribution to, or solicit contributions on behalf of,  
430 an exploratory committee or candidate committee established by a  
431 candidate for nomination or election to the office of State Treasurer  
432 during the term of office of the State Treasurer who does business with  
433 such firm.

434 (g) (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of [this section, a

435 corporation, cooperative association, limited partnership, professional  
 436 association, limited liability company or limited liability partnership,  
 437 whether formed in this state or any other, acting alone,] subsections (a)  
 438 to (f), inclusive, of this section, a business entity may make  
 439 independent expenditures and contributions to an independent  
 440 expenditure political committee.

441 (2) An independent expenditure political committee, as defined in  
 442 section 2 of this act, organized by a business entity shall not make any  
 443 contribution unless such contribution is to another independent  
 444 expenditure political committee.

445 Sec. 8. Section 9-614 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 446 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

447 (a) An organization may make contributions or expenditures, other  
 448 than [those made to promote] for the purpose of promoting the success  
 449 or defeat of a referendum question, only by first forming its own  
 450 political committee. [The] Unless such political committee is an  
 451 independent expenditure political committee, the political committee  
 452 shall then be authorized to (1) receive funds (A) exclusively from the  
 453 organization's treasury or from voluntary contributions made by its  
 454 members, but not both, (B) from another political committee, or (C)  
 455 from a candidate committee distributing a surplus, and [(1) to] (2)  
 456 make (A) contributions or expenditures to, or for the benefit of, a  
 457 candidate's campaign or a political party, or [(2) to make] (B)  
 458 contributions to another political committee. [No] An organization  
 459 shall not form more than one political committee. A political  
 460 committee shall be deemed to have been established by an  
 461 organization if the initial contribution to the committee is made by the  
 462 organization's treasury or an officer or director of the organization.

463 (b) A political committee established by an organization may elect  
 464 to alter the manner in which it is funded if it complies with the  
 465 requirements of this subsection. The committee chairperson shall

466 notify the repository with which the committee's most recent statement  
 467 of organization is filed, in writing, of the committee's intent to alter its  
 468 manner of funding. [Within] Not later than fifteen days after the date  
 469 of receipt of such notification, the treasurer of such political committee  
 470 shall return any funds remaining in the account of the committee to  
 471 the organization's treasury after payment of each outstanding liability.  
 472 [Within] Not later than seven days after the distribution and payments  
 473 have been made, the treasurer shall file a statement with the same  
 474 repository itemizing each such distribution and payment. Upon such  
 475 filing, the treasurer may receive voluntary contributions from any  
 476 member of the organization which established such committee subject  
 477 to the limitations imposed in subsection (b) of section 9-612.

478 (c) The chairperson of each political committee established by an  
 479 organization on or after July 1, 1985, shall designate the manner in  
 480 which the committee shall be funded in the committee's statement of  
 481 organization.

482 (d) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, an organization  
 483 [ , acting alone,] may make independent expenditures and  
 484 contributions to an independent expenditure political committee.

485 Sec. 9. Section 9-615 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 486 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

487 (a) [No] A political committee established by an organization shall  
 488 not make a contribution or contributions to, or for the benefit of, any  
 489 candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary or for election to the  
 490 office of: (1) Governor, in excess of five thousand dollars; (2)  
 491 Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, Treasurer, Comptroller or  
 492 Attorney General, in excess of three thousand dollars; (3) chief  
 493 executive officer of a town, city or borough, in excess of one thousand  
 494 five hundred dollars; (4) state senator or probate judge, in excess of  
 495 one thousand five hundred dollars; (5) state representative, in excess of  
 496 seven hundred fifty dollars; or (6) any other office of a municipality



497 not previously included in this subsection, in excess of three hundred  
498 seventy-five dollars.

499 (b) [No] Any such committee shall not make a contribution or  
500 contributions to, or for the benefit of, an exploratory committee, in  
501 excess of three hundred seventy-five dollars. Any such committee may  
502 make unlimited contributions to a political committee formed solely to  
503 aid or promote the success or defeat of a referendum question.

504 (c) The limits imposed by subsection (a) of this section shall apply  
505 separately to primaries and elections and no such committee shall  
506 make contributions to the candidates designated in this section which  
507 in the aggregate exceed fifty thousand dollars for any single election  
508 and primary preliminary thereto.

509 (d) [No] Except as provided in subsection (f) of this section, a  
510 political committee established by an organization shall not make  
511 contributions in any one calendar year to, or for the benefit of, (1) the  
512 state central committee of a political party, in excess of seven thousand  
513 five hundred dollars; (2) a town committee, in excess of one thousand  
514 five hundred dollars; or (3) any political committee, other than an  
515 exploratory committee or a committee formed solely to aid or promote  
516 the success or defeat of a referendum question, in excess of two  
517 thousand dollars.

518 (e) Contributions to a political committee established by an  
519 organization for the purpose of making contributions shall be subject  
520 to the provisions of section 9-618, as amended by this act, in the case of  
521 a committee formed for ongoing political activity or section 9-619, as  
522 amended by this act, in the case of a committee formed for a single  
523 election or primary.

524 (f) An independent expenditure political committee, as defined in  
525 section 2 of this act, established by an organization shall not make any  
526 contribution unless such contribution is to another independent  
527 expenditure political committee.

528 Sec. 10. Subsection (a) of section 9-618 of the general statutes is  
529 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
530 *passage*):

531 (a) (1) A political committee organized for ongoing political  
532 activities may make unlimited contributions to, or for the benefit of,  
533 any national committee of a political party [;] or a committee of a  
534 candidate for federal or out-of-state office. Except as provided in  
535 subdivision (3) of subsection (d) of this section, no such political  
536 committee shall make a contribution or contributions in excess of two  
537 thousand dollars to another political committee in any calendar year.  
538 No political committee organized for ongoing political activities shall  
539 make a contribution in excess of three hundred seventy-five dollars to  
540 an exploratory committee. If such an ongoing committee is established  
541 by an organization or a business entity, its contributions shall be  
542 subject to the limits imposed by sections 9-613 to 9-615, inclusive, as  
543 amended by this act. A political committee organized for ongoing  
544 political activities may make [contributions] donations to a charitable  
545 organization which is a tax-exempt organization under Section  
546 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as from time to time amended,  
547 or make memorial [contributions] donations.

548 (2) An independent expenditure political committee organized for  
549 ongoing political activities shall not make any contribution unless such  
550 contribution is to another independent expenditure political  
551 committee.

552 Sec. 11. Subsection (a) of section 9-619 of the general statutes is  
553 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
554 *passage*):

555 (a) (1) No political committee established for a single primary or  
556 election shall make contributions to a national committee, or a  
557 committee of a candidate for federal or out-of-state office. If such a  
558 political committee is established by an organization or a business

559 entity, its contributions shall also be subject to the limitations imposed  
560 by sections 9-613 to 9-615, inclusive, as amended by this act. Except as  
561 provided in subdivision (2) of subsection (d) of this section, no political  
562 committee formed for a single election or primary shall, with respect to  
563 such election or primary, make a contribution or contributions in  
564 excess of two thousand dollars to another political committee,  
565 provided no such political committee shall make a contribution in  
566 excess of three hundred seventy-five dollars to an exploratory  
567 committee.

568 (2) An independent expenditure political committee shall not make  
569 any contribution unless such contribution is to another independent  
570 expenditure political committee.

571 Sec. 12. Section 9-620 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
572 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

573 (a) A political committee formed solely to aid or promote the  
574 success or defeat of a referendum question shall not make  
575 contributions to, or for the benefit of, a party committee, a political  
576 committee, a national committee, a committee of a candidate for  
577 federal or out-of-state office or a candidate committee, except in the  
578 distribution of a surplus, as provided in subsection (e) of section 9-608,  
579 as amended by this act.

580 (b) A political committee formed solely to aid or promote the  
581 success or defeat of a referendum question shall not receive  
582 contributions from a national committee or from a committee of a  
583 candidate for federal or out-of-state office.

584 (c) [No] A person, other than an individual or a committee, shall not  
585 make a contribution to a political committee formed solely to aid or  
586 promote the success or defeat of a referendum question, or to any  
587 other person [,] to aid or promote the success or defeat of a referendum  
588 question, in excess of ten cents for each individual residing in the state  
589 or political subdivision thereof in which such referendum question is

590 to be voted upon, in accordance with the last federal decennial census.

591 (d) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (a) to (c),  
 592 inclusive, of this section, an independent expenditure political  
 593 committee, as defined in section 2 of this act, formed solely to aid or  
 594 promote the success or defeat of a referendum question shall not make  
 595 any contribution unless such contribution is made to another  
 596 independent expenditure political committee.

597 Sec. 13. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding any  
 598 provision of the general statutes, the board of governance, if any, for  
 599 any entity incorporated, organized or operating in this state, shall vote  
 600 for prior authorization for each payment or distribution of money in  
 601 an amount in excess of ten thousand dollars, in the aggregate for a  
 602 calendar year, to be used as a campaign-related disbursement, as  
 603 defined in section 9-601 of the general statutes, as amended by this act.  
 604 The board shall be informed of the specific use of the money, including  
 605 any candidate that might be the target or beneficiary of an  
 606 independent expenditure, as defined in section 9-601c of the general  
 607 statutes, from such campaign-related disbursement prior to any such  
 608 vote. Individual board member votes and the details of such  
 609 expenditures shall be disclosed (1) to the public on the entity's Internet  
 610 web site not later than forty-eight hours after the vote, and (2) to the  
 611 State Elections Enforcement Commission electronically and in a  
 612 manner prescribed by the commission.

613 Sec. 14. Subsection (a) of section 9-605 of the general statutes is  
 614 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
 615 *passage*):

616 (a) [The] Except as provided in subsection (d) of this section, the  
 617 chairperson of each political committee shall be an individual who has  
 618 direct, extensive and substantive decision-making authority over such  
 619 committee's activities with respect to raising and spending funds, shall  
 620 designate a treasurer and may designate a deputy treasurer. The

621 treasurer and any deputy treasurer so designated shall sign a  
622 statement accepting the designation. The chairperson of each political  
623 committee shall file a registration statement described in subsection (b)  
624 of this section along with the statement signed by the designated  
625 treasurer and deputy treasurer with the proper authority, within ten  
626 days after its organization, provided that the chairperson of any  
627 political committee organized within ten days prior to any primary,  
628 election or referendum in connection with which it intends to make  
629 any contributions or expenditures, shall immediately file a registration  
630 statement.

631 Sec. 15. Section 9-601 of the general statutes is amended by adding  
632 subdivisions (32) to (34), inclusive, as follows (*Effective from passage*):

633 (NEW) (32) "Foreign owner" means (A) a foreign national, as  
634 defined in 52 USC 30121(b), as amended from time to time, or (B) an  
635 entity of which a foreign national holds, owns, controls or otherwise  
636 has directly or indirectly acquired beneficial ownership of equity or  
637 voting shares in an amount equal to or greater than fifty per cent of  
638 total equity or outstanding voting shares.

639 (NEW) (33) "Foreign-influenced entity" means any entity of which  
640 (A) one foreign owner holds, owns, controls or otherwise has directly  
641 or indirectly acquired beneficial ownership of equity or voting shares  
642 in an amount equal to or greater than five per cent of total equity or  
643 outstanding voting shares, (B) two or more foreign owners hold, own,  
644 control or otherwise have directly or indirectly acquired beneficial  
645 ownership of equity or voting shares in an amount equal to or greater  
646 than twenty per cent of total equity or outstanding voting shares, or  
647 (C) any foreign owner participates in any way, directly or indirectly, in  
648 the process of making decisions with regard to the political activities of  
649 such entity in the United States, including, but not limited to, the  
650 political activities of such entity during an election in the state or any  
651 town, city, municipality, borough or other unit of local government  
652 within the state.

653 (NEW) (34) "Campaign-related disbursement" means an  
 654 independent expenditure, as defined in section 9-601c, or a covered  
 655 transfer to an independent expenditure political committee, as defined  
 656 in section 2 of this act.

657 Sec. 16. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) A foreign-influenced  
 658 entity, as defined in section 9-601 of the general statutes, as amended  
 659 by this act, shall not make any independent expenditure or any  
 660 contribution to an independent expenditure political committee.

661 (b) Any person who violates any provision of subsection (a) of this  
 662 section shall be subject to a civil penalty, imposed by the State  
 663 Elections Enforcement Commission, of not more than five thousand  
 664 dollars or three times the amount of any independent expenditure or  
 665 contribution to an independent expenditure political committee made,  
 666 whichever is greater.

667 (c) No violation of the prohibitions contained in subsection (a) of  
 668 this section shall be deemed to have occurred if, and only if, the chief  
 669 executive or chief financial officer, or an equivalent officer, of the entity  
 670 made due inquiry to determine that such entity was not a foreign-  
 671 influenced entity, as defined in section 9-601 of the general statutes, as  
 672 amended by this act, prior to making the independent expenditure or  
 673 contribution to an independent expenditure political committee in  
 674 question.

675 Sec. 17. Subsection (c) of section 9-601d of the general statutes is  
 676 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
 677 *passage*):

678 (c) The independent expenditure long-form report shall identify: (1)  
 679 The name of the person making or obligating to make such  
 680 independent expenditure or expenditures and, in the case of a person  
 681 other than a human being, the name of an individual who had direct,  
 682 extensive and substantive decision-making authority over the  
 683 independent expenditure or expenditures made or obligated to be

684 made; (2) the tax exempt status of such person, if applicable; (3) the  
 685 mailing address of such person; (4) the principal business address of  
 686 the person, if different from the mailing address; (5) the address,  
 687 telephone number and electronic mail address of the agent for service  
 688 of process in this state of such person; (6) the date of the primary or  
 689 election for which the independent expenditure or expenditures were  
 690 made or obligated to be made; (7) the name of any candidate who was  
 691 the subject of any independent expenditure or expenditures and  
 692 whether the independent expenditure or expenditures were in support  
 693 of or in opposition to such candidate; and (8) the name, telephone  
 694 number and electronic mail address for the individual filing such  
 695 report. Such individual filing such report shall, under penalty of false  
 696 statement, (A) affirm that the expenditure reported is an independent  
 697 expenditure, [under penalty of false statement] and (B) certify that due  
 698 inquiry has been made by the chief executive or chief financial officer,  
 699 or an equivalent officer, of such person to determine that such person  
 700 is not a foreign-influenced entity on the date such independent  
 701 expenditure was made or obligated to be made.

702 Sec. 18. Subsection (a) of section 9-601d of the general statutes is  
 703 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
 704 *passage*):

705 (a) Any person, as defined in section 9-601, as amended by this act,  
 706 may, unless otherwise restricted or prohibited by law, including, but  
 707 not limited to, any provision of this chapter or chapter 157, (1) make  
 708 unlimited independent expenditures, as defined in section 9-601c, and  
 709 (2) accept [unlimited] covered transfers, as defined in said section 9-  
 710 601, provided the amount of any such covered transfer or transfers  
 711 accepted by an independent expenditure political committee, as  
 712 defined in section 2 of this act, from any one person in any calendar  
 713 year shall not exceed seventy thousand dollars in the aggregate. Except  
 714 as provided pursuant to this section, any such person who makes or  
 715 obligates to make an independent expenditure or expenditures in  
 716 excess of one thousand dollars, in the aggregate, shall file statements

717 according to the same schedule and in the same manner as is required  
718 of a treasurer of a candidate committee pursuant to section 9-608, as  
719 amended by this act.

720 Sec. 19. Subsections (h) to (m), inclusive, of section 9-621 of the  
721 general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
722 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

723 (h) (1) No person shall make or incur an independent expenditure  
724 for any written, typed or other printed communication, including on a  
725 billboard, or any web-based, written communication, unless such  
726 communication bears upon its face, as a disclaimer, (A) the words  
727 "Paid for by", [and] (B) the name of such person and, if such person is  
728 an entity, the name of such entity's chief executive officer or equivalent  
729 and such entity's principal business address, and (C) the following  
730 statement: "This message was made independent of any candidate or  
731 political party." In the case of a person making or incurring such an  
732 independent expenditure during the ninety-day period immediately  
733 prior to the primary or election for which the independent expenditure  
734 is made, such communication shall also bear upon its face the names of  
735 the five persons who made the five largest aggregate covered transfers  
736 to the person making such communication during the twelve-month  
737 period immediately prior to such primary or election, as applicable.  
738 The communication shall also state that additional information about  
739 the person making such communication may be found on the State  
740 Elections Enforcement Commission's Internet web site.

741 (2) In addition to the requirements of subdivision (1) of this  
742 subsection, and except as provided in this subdivision for an entity, no  
743 person shall make or incur an independent expenditure for a video  
744 broadcast by television, satellite or Internet, unless at the end of such  
745 advertising there appears for a period of not less than four seconds as a  
746 disclaimer, the following as an audio message and a written statement:  
747 "This message was paid for by (person making the communication)  
748 and made independent of any candidate or political party.". If such



749 person is an entity, there shall simultaneously appear at the end of  
750 such advertising, for a period of not less than four seconds, (A) a  
751 clearly identifiable video, photographic or similar image of such  
752 entity's chief executive officer or equivalent, and (B) a personal audio  
753 message, in the following form: "I am .... (name of entity's chief  
754 executive officer or equivalent), .... (title) of .... (entity). This message  
755 was made independent of any candidate or political party, and I  
756 approved its content.". In the case of a person making or incurring  
757 such an independent expenditure during the ninety-day period  
758 immediately prior to the primary or election for which the  
759 independent expenditure is made, such communication shall also list  
760 the names of the five persons who made the five largest aggregate  
761 covered transfers to the person making such communication during  
762 the twelve-month period immediately prior to such primary or  
763 election, as applicable. The communication shall also state that  
764 additional information about the person making such communication  
765 may be found on the State Elections Enforcement Commission's  
766 Internet web site.

767 (3) In addition to the requirements of subdivision (1) of this  
768 subsection, and except as provided in this subdivision for an entity, no  
769 person shall make or incur an independent expenditure for an audio  
770 communication broadcast by radio, satellite or Internet, unless the  
771 advertising ends with a disclaimer that is a personal audio statement  
772 by such person's agent or, if such person is an entity, such entity's chief  
773 executive officer or equivalent (A) identifying the person paying for  
774 the expenditure, and (B) indicating that the message was made  
775 independent of any candidate or political party, using the following  
776 form: "I am .... (name of the person's agent), .... (title), of .... (the  
777 person). This message was made independent of any candidate or  
778 political party." If such person is an entity, the personal audio  
779 statement by such entity's chief executive officer or equivalent shall  
780 use the following form: "I am .... (name of entity's chief executive  
781 officer or equivalent), .... (title) of .... (entity). This message was made

782 independent of any candidate or political party, and I approved its  
783 content.". In the case of a person making or incurring such an  
784 independent expenditure during the ninety-day period immediately  
785 prior to the primary or election for which the independent expenditure  
786 is made, such communication shall state the names of the five persons  
787 who made the five largest aggregate covered transfers to the person  
788 making such communication during the twelve-month period  
789 immediately prior to such primary or election, as applicable. The  
790 communication shall also state that additional information about the  
791 person making such communication may be found on the State  
792 Elections Enforcement Commission's Internet web site.

793 (4) In addition to the requirements of subdivision (1) of this  
794 subsection, no person shall make or incur an independent expenditure  
795 for telephone calls, unless the narrative of the telephone call identifies  
796 the person making the expenditure and, if such person is an entity,  
797 such entity's chief executive officer or equivalent. In the case of a  
798 person making or incurring such an independent expenditure during  
799 the ninety-day period immediately prior to the primary or election for  
800 which the independent expenditure is made, such communication  
801 shall state the names of the five persons who made the five largest  
802 aggregate covered transfers to the person making such communication  
803 during the twelve-month period immediately prior to such primary or  
804 election, as applicable. The communication shall also state that  
805 additional information about the person making such communication  
806 may be found on the State Elections Enforcement Commission's  
807 Internet web site.

808 (i) In any print, television or social media promotion of a slate of  
809 candidates by a party committee, the party committee shall use  
810 applicable disclaimers pursuant to the provisions of this section for  
811 such promotion, and no individual candidate disclaimers shall be  
812 required.

813 (j) [(1) Except as provided in subdivisions (2) and (3) of this

814 subsection, if] If any person whose name is included on a disclaimer of  
815 a communication pursuant to the provisions of this section, as a person  
816 who made a covered transfer to the maker of the communication, is  
817 also a recipient of a covered transfer, the maker of the communication,  
818 as part of any report filed pursuant to section 9-601d, as amended by  
819 this act, associated with the making of such communication, shall  
820 include the names of the five persons who made the top five largest  
821 aggregate covered transfers to such recipient during the twelve-month  
822 period immediately prior to the primary or election, as applicable.

823 [(2) The name of any person who made a covered transfer to a tax-  
824 exempt organization recognized under Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal  
825 Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal  
826 revenue code of the United States, as amended from time to time, that  
827 has not had its tax exempt status revoked, shall not be disclosed  
828 pursuant to the provisions of subdivision (1) of this subsection.

829 (3) The name of any person who made a covered transfer to a  
830 person whose name is included on a disclaimer pursuant to the  
831 provisions of this section shall not be disclosed pursuant to the  
832 provisions of subdivision (1) of this subsection if the recipient of such  
833 covered transfer accepts covered transfers from at least one hundred  
834 different sources, provided no such source accounts for ten per cent or  
835 more of the total amount of covered transfers accepted by the recipient  
836 during the twelve-month period immediately prior to the primary or  
837 election, as applicable.]

838 (k) Any disclaimer required to be on the face of a written, typed or  
839 other printed communication pursuant to the provisions of this section  
840 shall be printed in no smaller than eight-point type of uniform font  
841 when such disclaimer is on a communication contained in a flyer or  
842 leaflet, newspaper, magazine or similar literature, or that is delivered  
843 by mail.

844 (l) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, no person making

845 an independent expenditure for a communication shall be required to  
 846 list as part of any disclaimer pursuant to this section any person whose  
 847 covered transfers to the maker of the communication are not in an  
 848 aggregate amount of five thousand dollars or more during the twelve-  
 849 month period immediately prior to the primary, [or] election or  
 850 referendum, as applicable, for which such independent expenditure is  
 851 made.

852 (m) (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, any  
 853 disclaimer required to be on the face of any Internet text advertisement  
 854 communication [(1)] (A) that appears based on the result of a search  
 855 conducted by a user of an Internet search engine, and [(2)] (B) the text  
 856 of which contains two hundred or fewer characters, shall not be  
 857 required, (i) in the case of any such communication, which  
 858 communication is an independent expenditure, as defined in section 9-  
 859 601c, to list the names of the five persons who made the top five largest  
 860 aggregate covered transfers to the maker of such communication, as  
 861 otherwise required by this section, if such disclaimer [(A)] (I) includes  
 862 a link to an Internet web site that discloses the names of such five  
 863 persons, and [(B)] (II) otherwise contains any statement required  
 864 pursuant to the provisions of this section, and (ii) in the case of any  
 865 such communication made by a participating candidate, as described  
 866 in section 9-703, as amended by this act.

867 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, any disclaimer  
 868 required to be on the face of an Internet text communication, which  
 869 communication (A) is transmitted from, appears on or is otherwise  
 870 generated by any social media account or Internet web site of a  
 871 candidate or agent of such candidate, and (B) contains a link to any  
 872 other communication described in this section, shall not be required if  
 873 such other communication complies with the requirements of this  
 874 section.

875 Sec. 20. Subsection (a) of section 9-703 of the general statutes is  
 876 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*

877 *October 1, 2017*):

878 (a) Each candidate for nomination or election to the office of state  
 879 senator or state representative in 2008, or thereafter, or the office of  
 880 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller,  
 881 Secretary of the State or State Treasurer in 2010, or thereafter, shall file  
 882 an affidavit with the State Elections Enforcement Commission. The  
 883 affidavit shall include a written certification that the candidate either  
 884 intends to abide by the expenditure limits under the Citizens' Election  
 885 Program set forth in subsection (c) of section 9-702, or does not intend  
 886 to abide by said limits. If the candidate intends to abide by said limits,  
 887 the affidavit shall also include written certifications (1) that the  
 888 treasurer of the candidate committee for said candidate shall expend  
 889 any moneys received from the Citizens' Election Fund in accordance  
 890 with the provisions of subsection (g) of section 9-607, as amended by  
 891 this act, and regulations adopted by the State Elections Enforcement  
 892 Commission under subsection (e) of section 9-706, (2) that the  
 893 candidate shall repay to the fund any such moneys that are not  
 894 expended in accordance with subsection (g) of section 9-607 and said  
 895 regulations, (3) that the candidate and the treasurer shall comply with  
 896 the provisions of subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 9-711, and  
 897 (4) stating the candidate's status as a major party, minor party or  
 898 petitioning party candidate and, in the case of a major party or minor  
 899 party candidate, the name of such party. The written certification  
 900 described in subdivision (3) of this subsection shall be made by both  
 901 the candidate and the treasurer of the candidate committee for said  
 902 candidate. A candidate for nomination or election to any such office  
 903 shall file such affidavit not later than four o'clock p.m. on the twenty-  
 904 fifth day before the day of a primary, if applicable, or on the [fortieth  
 905 day before the day of the election for such office] day set forth in  
 906 section 9-423, as applicable to such office, in the year in which the  
 907 election for such office is held, except that in the case of a special  
 908 election for the office of state senator or state representative, the  
 909 candidate shall file such affidavit not later than four o'clock p.m. on the

910 twenty-fifth day before the day of such special election.  
911 Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection, a candidate who is  
912 not required to form a candidate committee pursuant to subdivision  
913 (3) or (4) of subsection (b) of section 9-604, files a certification with the  
914 commission pursuant to subsection (c) of section 9-603 and does not  
915 intend to participate in the Citizens' Election Program shall not be  
916 required to file such affidavit of intent not to abide by the expenditure  
917 limits of said program. Any such candidate shall be referred to as a  
918 nonparticipating candidate, in accordance with subsection (b) of this  
919 section.

920 Sec. 21. Section 9-452 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
921 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2017*):

922 All minor parties nominating candidates for any elective office shall  
923 make such nominations and certify and file a list of such nominations,  
924 as required by this section, not later than [the sixty-second day prior to  
925 the day of the election at which such candidates are to be voted for]  
926 four o'clock p.m. on the day set forth in section 9-423, as applicable to  
927 such office, in the year in which the election for such office is held. A  
928 list of nominees in printed or typewritten form that includes each  
929 candidate's name as authorized by each candidate to appear on the  
930 ballot, the signature of each candidate, the full street address of each  
931 candidate and the title and district of the office for which each  
932 candidate is nominated shall be certified by the presiding officer of the  
933 committee, meeting or other authority making such nomination and  
934 shall be filed by such presiding officer with the Secretary of the State,  
935 in the case of any state, district or municipal office to be voted upon at  
936 a state election, or with the clerk of the municipality, in the case of any  
937 municipal office to be voted upon at a municipal election, not later  
938 than the sixty-second day prior to the day of the election. The  
939 registrars of voters of such municipality shall promptly verify and  
940 correct the names on any such list filed with him, or the names of  
941 nominees forwarded to the clerk of the municipality by the Secretary

942 of the State, in accordance with the registry list of such municipality  
 943 and endorse the same as having been so verified and corrected. For  
 944 purposes of this section, a list of nominations shall be deemed to be  
 945 filed when it is received by the Secretary of the State or clerk of the  
 946 municipality, as appropriate. If such certificate of a party's nomination  
 947 is not received by the Secretary of the State or clerk of the municipality,  
 948 as appropriate, by such time, such certificate shall be invalid and such  
 949 party, for purposes of sections 9-460, 9-461 and 9-462, shall be deemed  
 950 to have neither made nor certified any nomination of any candidate for  
 951 such office. A candidacy for nomination by a minor party to a district  
 952 or municipal office may be filed on behalf of any person whose name  
 953 appears on the last-completed registry list of the district or  
 954 municipality represented by such office, as the case may be. A  
 955 candidacy for nomination by a minor party to a state office may be  
 956 filed on behalf of any person whose name appears on the last-  
 957 completed registry list of the state.

958 Sec. 22. Subsection (a) of section 9-453i of the general statutes is  
 959 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*  
 960 *October 1, 2017*):

961 (a) Each page of a nominating petition proposing a candidate for an  
 962 office to be filled at a regular election shall be submitted to the  
 963 appropriate town clerk or to the Secretary of the State not later than  
 964 four o'clock p.m. on the [ninetieth day preceding the day of the regular  
 965 election] day set forth in section 9-423, as applicable to such office, in  
 966 the year in which the election for such office is held.

967 Sec. 23. Subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 9-705 of the  
 968 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
 969 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2017*):

970 (2) The qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the office of  
 971 Governor who has been nominated, or who has qualified to appear on  
 972 the election ballot in accordance with the provisions of subpart C of

973 part III of chapter 153, shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund  
 974 for the general election campaign in the amount of six million dollars,  
 975 provided (A) any such committee shall receive seventy-five per cent of  
 976 said amount if such committee applies for such grant, in accordance  
 977 with section 9-706, on or after the seventieth day but before the fifty-  
 978 sixth day preceding the election, (B) any such committee shall receive  
 979 sixty-five per cent of said amount if such committee so applies on or  
 980 after the fifty-sixth day but before the forty-second day preceding the  
 981 election, (C) any such committee shall receive fifty-five per cent of said  
 982 amount if such committee so applies on or after the forty-second day  
 983 but before the twenty-eighth day preceding the election, (D) any such  
 984 committee shall receive forty per cent of said amount if such  
 985 committee so applies on or after the twenty-eighth day preceding the  
 986 election, and (E) in the case of an election held in 2014, or thereafter,  
 987 said amount shall be adjusted under subsection (d) of this section.

988 Sec. 24. Subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of section 9-705 of the  
 989 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
 990 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2017*):

991 (2) The qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the office of  
 992 Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State  
 993 Treasurer who has been nominated, or who has qualified to appear on  
 994 the election ballot in accordance with the provisions of subpart C of  
 995 part III of chapter 153, shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund  
 996 for the general election campaign in the amount of seven hundred fifty  
 997 thousand dollars, provided (A) any such committee shall receive  
 998 seventy-five per cent of said amount if such committee applies for such  
 999 grant, in accordance with section 9-706, on or after the seventieth day  
 1000 but before the fifty-sixth day preceding the election, (B) any such  
 1001 committee shall receive sixty-five per cent of said amount if such  
 1002 committee so applies on or after the fifty-sixth day but before the forty-  
 1003 second day preceding the election, (C) any such committee shall  
 1004 receive fifty-five per cent of said amount if such committee so applies



1005 on or after the forty-second day but before the twenty-eighth day  
 1006 preceding the election, (D) any such committee shall receive forty per  
 1007 cent of said amount if such committee so applies on or after the  
 1008 twenty-eighth day preceding the election, and (E) in the case of an  
 1009 election held in 2014, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted  
 1010 under subsection (d) of this section.

1011 Sec. 25. Subdivision (2) of subsection (e) of section 9-705 of the  
 1012 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
 1013 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2017*):

1014 (2) The qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the office of  
 1015 state senator who has been nominated, or has qualified to appear on  
 1016 the election ballot in accordance with subpart C of part III of chapter  
 1017 153, shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the general  
 1018 election campaign in the amount of eighty-five thousand dollars,  
 1019 provided (A) any such committee shall receive seventy-five per cent of  
 1020 said amount if such committee applies for such grant, in accordance  
 1021 with section 9-706, on or after the seventieth day but before the fifty-  
 1022 sixth day preceding the election, (B) any such committee shall receive  
 1023 sixty-five per cent of said amount if such committee so applies on or  
 1024 after the fifty-sixth day but before the forty-second day preceding the  
 1025 election, (C) any such committee shall receive fifty-five per cent of said  
 1026 amount if such committee so applies on or after the forty-second day  
 1027 but before the twenty-eighth day preceding the election, (D) any such  
 1028 committee shall receive forty per cent of said amount if such  
 1029 committee so applies on or after the twenty-eighth day preceding the  
 1030 election, and (E) in the case of an election held in 2010, or thereafter,  
 1031 said amount shall be adjusted under subsection (h) of this section.

1032 Sec. 26. Subdivision (2) of subsection (f) of section 9-705 of the  
 1033 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
 1034 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2017*):

1035 (2) The qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the office of

1036 state representative who has been nominated, or has qualified to  
 1037 appear on the election ballot in accordance with subpart C of part III of  
 1038 chapter 153, shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the  
 1039 general election campaign in the amount of twenty-five thousand  
 1040 dollars, provided (A) any such committee shall receive seventy-five  
 1041 per cent of said amount if such committee applies for such grant, in  
 1042 accordance with section 9-706, on or after the seventieth day but before  
 1043 the fifty-sixth day preceding the election, (B) any such committee shall  
 1044 receive sixty-five per cent of said amount if such committee so applies  
 1045 on or after the fifty-sixth day but before the forty-second day  
 1046 preceding the election, (C) any such committee shall receive fifty-five  
 1047 per cent of said amount if such committee so applies on or after the  
 1048 forty-second day but before the twenty-eighth day preceding the  
 1049 election, (D) any such committee shall receive forty per cent of said  
 1050 amount if such committee so applies on or after the twenty-eighth day  
 1051 preceding the election, and (E) in the case of an election held in 2010,  
 1052 or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted under subsection (h) of  
 1053 this section."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	9-601(3)
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 3	<i>from passage</i>	9-607(g)(1)
Sec. 4	<i>from passage</i>	9-608(c)
Sec. 5	<i>from passage</i>	9-608(e)(1)(C)
Sec. 6	<i>from passage</i>	9-612(a)
Sec. 7	<i>from passage</i>	9-613
Sec. 8	<i>from passage</i>	9-614
Sec. 9	<i>from passage</i>	9-615
Sec. 10	<i>from passage</i>	9-618(a)
Sec. 11	<i>from passage</i>	9-619(a)
Sec. 12	<i>from passage</i>	9-620
Sec. 13	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 14	<i>from passage</i>	9-605(a)

Sec. 15	<i>from passage</i>	9-601
Sec. 16	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 17	<i>from passage</i>	9-601d(c)
Sec. 18	<i>from passage</i>	9-601d(a)
Sec. 19	<i>from passage</i>	9-621(h) to (m)
Sec. 20	<i>October 1, 2017</i>	9-703(a)
Sec. 21	<i>October 1, 2017</i>	9-452
Sec. 22	<i>October 1, 2017</i>	9-453i(a)
Sec. 23	<i>October 1, 2017</i>	9-705(a)(2)
Sec. 24	<i>October 1, 2017</i>	9-705(b)(2)
Sec. 25	<i>October 1, 2017</i>	9-705(e)(2)
Sec. 26	<i>October 1, 2017</i>	9-705(f)(2)