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"AN ACT CONCERNING CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM."

1 Strike section 20 in its entirety and renumber the remaining sections
2 and internal references accordingly.

3 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
4 internal references accordingly:

5 "Sec. 501. Section 9-700 of the general statutes is repealed and the
6 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

7 As used in sections 9-700 to 9-716, inclusive, as amended by this act:

8 (1) ["Commission" means the State Elections Enforcement
9 Commission] "Department" means the Department of Administrative
10 Services.

11 (2) "Depository account" means the single checking account at the
12 depository institution designated as the depository for the candidate
13 committee's moneys in accordance with the provisions of subsection

14 (a) of section 9-604.

15 (3) "District office" has the same meaning as provided in section 9-
16 372.

17 (4) "Eligible minor party candidate" means a candidate for election
18 to an office who is nominated by a minor party pursuant to subpart B
19 of part III of chapter 153.

20 (5) "Eligible petitioning party candidate" means a candidate for
21 election to an office pursuant to subpart C of part III of chapter 153
22 whose nominating petition has been approved by the Secretary of the
23 State pursuant to section 9-453o.

24 (6) "Fund" means the Citizens' Election Fund established in section
25 9-701.

26 (7) "General election campaign" means (A) in the case of a candidate
27 nominated at a primary, the period beginning on the day following the
28 primary and ending on the date the treasurer files the final statement
29 for such campaign pursuant to section 9-608, or (B) in the case of a
30 candidate nominated without a primary, the period beginning on the
31 day following the day on which the candidate is nominated and
32 ending on the date the treasurer files the final statement for such
33 campaign pursuant to section 9-608.

34 (8) "Major party" has the same meaning as provided in section 9-372.

35 (9) "Minor party" has the same meaning as provided in section 9-
36 372.

37 (10) "Municipal office" has the same meaning as provided in section
38 9-372.

39 (11) "Primary campaign" means the period beginning on the day
40 following the close of (A) a convention held pursuant to section 9-382
41 for the purpose of endorsing a candidate for nomination to the office of
42 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller,

43 State Treasurer or Secretary of the State or the district office of state
44 senator or state representative, or (B) a caucus, convention or town
45 committee meeting held pursuant to section 9-390 for the purpose of
46 endorsing a candidate for the municipal office of state senator or state
47 representative, whichever is applicable, and ending on the day of a
48 primary held for the purpose of nominating a candidate for such
49 office.

50 (12) "Qualified candidate committee" means a candidate committee
51 (A) established to aid or promote the success of any candidate for
52 nomination or election to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor,
53 Attorney General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer, Secretary of the
54 State, state senator or state representative, and (B) approved by the
55 [commission] department to receive a grant from the Citizens' Election
56 Fund under section 9-706, as amended by this act.

57 Sec. 502. Subsection (b) of section 9-702 of the general statutes is
58 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
59 *passage*):

60 (b) Any such candidate committee is eligible to receive such grants
61 for a primary campaign, if applicable, and a general election campaign
62 if (1) the candidate certifies as a participating candidate under section
63 9-703, as amended by this act, (2) the candidate's candidate committee
64 receives the required amount of qualifying contributions under section
65 9-704, (3) the candidate's candidate committee returns all contributions
66 that do not meet the criteria for qualifying contributions under section
67 9-704, (4) the candidate agrees to limit the campaign expenditures of
68 the candidate's candidate committee in accordance with the provisions
69 of subsection (c) of this section, and (5) the candidate submits an
70 application and the [commission] department approves the application
71 in accordance with the provisions of section 9-706, as amended by this
72 act.

73 Sec. 503. Section 9-703 of the general statutes is repealed and the
74 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

75 (a) Each candidate for nomination or election to the office of state
76 senator or state representative in 2008, or thereafter, or the office of
77 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller,
78 Secretary of the State or State Treasurer in 2010, or thereafter, shall file
79 an affidavit with the [State Elections Enforcement Commission]
80 Department of Administrative Services. The affidavit shall include a
81 written certification that the candidate either intends to abide by the
82 expenditure limits under the Citizens' Election Program set forth in
83 subsection (c) of section 9-702, or does not intend to abide by said
84 limits. If the candidate intends to abide by said limits, the affidavit
85 shall also include written certifications (1) that the treasurer of the
86 candidate committee for said candidate shall expend any moneys
87 received from the Citizens' Election Fund in accordance with the
88 provisions of subsection (g) of section 9-607 and regulations adopted
89 by the State Elections Enforcement Commission under subsection (e) of
90 section 9-706, as amended by this act, (2) that the candidate shall repay
91 to the fund any such moneys that are not expended in accordance with
92 subsection (g) of section 9-607 and said regulations, (3) that the
93 candidate and the treasurer shall comply with the provisions of
94 subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 9-711, and (4) stating the
95 candidate's status as a major party, minor party or petitioning party
96 candidate and, in the case of a major party or minor party candidate,
97 the name of such party. The written certification described in
98 subdivision (3) of this subsection shall be made by both the candidate
99 and the treasurer of the candidate committee for said candidate. A
100 candidate for nomination or election to any such office shall file such
101 affidavit not later than four o'clock p.m. on the twenty-fifth day before
102 the day of a primary, if applicable, or on the [fortieth day before the
103 day of the election for such office] day set forth in section 9-423, as
104 applicable to such office, in the year in which the election for such
105 office is held, except that in the case of a special election for the office
106 of state senator or state representative, the candidate shall file such
107 affidavit not later than four o'clock p.m. on the twenty-fifth day before
108 the day of such special election. Notwithstanding the provisions of this
109 subsection, a candidate who is not required to form a candidate

110 committee pursuant to subdivision (3) or (4) of subsection (b) of
111 section 9-604, files a certification with the commission pursuant to
112 subsection (c) of section 9-603 and does not intend to participate in the
113 Citizens' Election Program shall not be required to file such affidavit of
114 intent not to abide by the expenditure limits of said program. Any
115 such candidate shall be referred to as a nonparticipating candidate, in
116 accordance with subsection (b) of this section.

117 (b) A candidate who so certifies the candidate's intent to abide by
118 the expenditure limits under the Citizens' Election Program set forth in
119 subsection (c) of section 9-702 shall be referred to in sections 9-700 to 9-
120 716, inclusive, as amended by this act, as a "participating candidate"
121 and a candidate who so certifies the candidate's intent to not abide by
122 said limits shall be referred to in sections 9-700 to 9-716, inclusive, as
123 amended by this act, as a "nonparticipating candidate". The
124 [commission] department shall prepare a list of the participating
125 candidates and a list of the nonparticipating candidates and shall make
126 such lists available for public inspection.

127 (c) A participating candidate may withdraw from participation in
128 the Citizens' Election Program before applying for an initial grant
129 under section 9-706, as amended by this act, by filing an affidavit with
130 the [State Elections Enforcement Commission] Department of
131 Administrative Services, which includes a written certification of such
132 withdrawal. A candidate who files such an affidavit shall be deemed to
133 be a nonparticipating candidate for the purposes of sections 9-700 to 9-
134 716, as amended by this act, inclusive, and shall not be penalized for
135 such withdrawal. No participating candidate shall withdraw from
136 participation in the Citizens' Election Program after applying for an
137 initial grant under section 9-706, as amended by this act.

138 Sec. 504. Subsection (d) of section 9-705 of the general statutes is
139 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
140 *passage*):

141 (d) For elections held in 2014, and thereafter, the amount of the

142 grants in subsections (a), (b) and (c) of this section shall be adjusted by
143 the [State Elections Enforcement Commission] Department of
144 Administrative Services not later than January 15, 2014, and
145 quadrennially thereafter, in accordance with any change in the
146 consumer price index for all urban consumers as published by the
147 United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, during
148 the period beginning on January 1, 2010, and ending on December
149 thirty-first in the year preceding the year in which said adjustment is
150 to be made.

151 Sec. 505. Subsection (h) of section 9-705 of the general statutes is
152 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
153 *passage*):

154 (h) For elections held in 2010, and thereafter, the amount of the
155 grants in subsections (e), (f) and (g) of this section shall be adjusted by
156 the [State Elections Enforcement Commission] Department of
157 Administrative Services not later than January 15, 2010, and biennially
158 thereafter, in accordance with any change in the consumer price index
159 for all urban consumers as published by the United States Department
160 of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, during the period beginning on
161 January 1, 2008, and ending on December thirty-first in the year
162 preceding the year in which said adjustment is to be made.

163 Sec. 506. Section 9-706 of the general statutes is repealed and the
164 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

165 (a) (1) A participating candidate for nomination to the office of state
166 senator or state representative in 2008, or thereafter, or the office of
167 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller,
168 Secretary of the State or State Treasurer in 2010, or thereafter, may
169 apply to the [State Elections Enforcement Commission] Department of
170 Administrative Services for a grant from the fund under the Citizens'
171 Election Program for a primary campaign, after the close of the state
172 convention of the candidate's party that is called for the purpose of
173 choosing candidates for nomination for the office that the candidate is

174 seeking, if a primary is required under chapter 153, and (A) said party
175 endorses the candidate for the office that the candidate is seeking, (B)
176 the candidate is seeking nomination to the office of Governor,
177 Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, State
178 Treasurer or Secretary of the State or the district office of state senator
179 or state representative and receives at least fifteen per cent of the votes
180 of the convention delegates present and voting on any roll-call vote
181 taken on the endorsement or proposed endorsement of a candidate for
182 the office the candidate is seeking, or (C) the candidate circulates a
183 petition and obtains the required number of signatures for filing a
184 candidacy for nomination for (i) the office of Governor, Lieutenant
185 Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer or
186 Secretary of the State or the district office of state senator or state
187 representative, pursuant to section 9-400, or (ii) the municipal office of
188 state senator or state representative, pursuant to section 9-406,
189 whichever is applicable. The [State Elections Enforcement
190 Commission] Department of Administrative Services shall make any
191 such grants to participating candidates in accordance with the
192 provisions of subsections (d) to (g), inclusive, of this section.

193 (2) A participating candidate for nomination to the office of state
194 senator or state representative in 2008, or thereafter, or the office of
195 Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State
196 or State Treasurer in 2010, or thereafter, may apply to the [State
197 Elections Enforcement Commission] Department of Administrative
198 Services for a grant from the fund under the Citizens' Election Program
199 for a general election campaign:

200 (A) After the close of the state or district convention or municipal
201 caucus, convention or town committee meeting, whichever is
202 applicable, of the candidate's party that is called for the purpose of
203 choosing candidates for nomination for the office that the candidate is
204 seeking, if (i) said party endorses said candidate for the office that the
205 candidate is seeking and no other candidate of said party files a
206 candidacy with the Secretary of the State in accordance with the
207 provisions of section 9-400 or 9-406, whichever is applicable, (ii) the

208 candidate is seeking election to the office of Governor, Lieutenant
209 Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer or
210 Secretary of the State or the district office of state senator or state
211 representative and receives at least fifteen per cent of the votes of the
212 convention delegates present and voting on any roll-call vote taken on
213 the endorsement or proposed endorsement of a candidate for the office
214 the candidate is seeking, no other candidate for said office at such
215 convention either receives the party endorsement or said percentage of
216 said votes for said endorsement or files a certificate of endorsement
217 with the Secretary of the State in accordance with the provisions of
218 section 9-388 or a candidacy with the Secretary of the State in
219 accordance with the provisions of section 9-400, and no other
220 candidate for said office circulates a petition and obtains the required
221 number of signatures for filing a candidacy for nomination for said
222 office pursuant to section 9-400, (iii) the candidate is seeking election to
223 the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State
224 Comptroller, State Treasurer or Secretary of the State or the district
225 office of state senator or state representative, circulates a petition and
226 obtains the required number of signatures for filing a candidacy for
227 nomination for said office pursuant to section 9-400 and no other
228 candidate for said office at the state or district convention either
229 receives the party endorsement or said percentage of said votes for
230 said endorsement or files a certificate of endorsement with the
231 Secretary of the State in accordance with the provisions of section 9-388
232 or a candidacy with the Secretary of the State in accordance with the
233 provisions of section 9-400, or (iv) the candidate is seeking election to
234 the municipal office of state senator or state representative, circulates a
235 petition and obtains the required number of signatures for filing a
236 candidacy for nomination for the office the candidate is seeking
237 pursuant to section 9-406 and no other candidate for said office at the
238 caucus, convention or town committee meeting either receives the
239 party endorsement or files a certification of endorsement with the
240 town clerk in accordance with the provisions of section 9-391;

241 (B) After any primary held by such party for nomination for said

242 office, if the Secretary of the State declares that the candidate is the
243 party nominee in accordance with the provisions of section 9-440;

244 (C) In the case of a minor party candidate, after the nomination of
245 such candidate is certified and filed with the Secretary of the State
246 pursuant to section 9-452; or

247 (D) In the case of a petitioning party candidate, after approval by
248 the Secretary of the State of such candidate's nominating petition
249 pursuant to section 9-453o.

250 (3) A participating candidate for nomination to the office of state
251 senator or state representative at a special election in 2008, or
252 thereafter, may apply to the [State Elections Enforcement Commission]
253 Department of Administrative Services for a grant from the fund
254 under the Citizens' Election Program for a general election campaign
255 after the close of the district convention or municipal caucus,
256 convention or town committee meeting of the candidate's party that is
257 called for the purpose of choosing candidates for nomination for the
258 office that the candidate is seeking.

259 (4) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivisions (1) and (2) of
260 this subsection, no participating candidate for nomination or election
261 who changes the candidate's status as a major party, minor party or
262 petitioning party candidate or becomes a candidate of a different
263 party, after filing the affidavit required under section 9-703, as
264 amended by this act, shall be eligible to apply for a grant under the
265 Citizens' Election Program for such candidate's primary campaign for
266 such nomination or general election campaign for such election. The
267 provisions of this subdivision shall not apply in the case of a candidate
268 who is nominated by more than one party and does not otherwise
269 change the candidate's status as a major party, minor party or
270 petitioning party candidate.

271 (5) Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection, no candidate
272 may apply to the [State Elections Enforcement Commission]
273 Department of Administrative Services for a grant from the fund

274 under the Citizens' Election Program if such candidate has been
275 convicted of or pled guilty or nolo contendere to, in a court of
276 competent jurisdiction, any (A) criminal offense under this title unless
277 at least eight years have elapsed from the date of the conviction or plea
278 or the completion of any sentence, whichever date is later, without a
279 subsequent conviction of or plea to another such offense, or (B) a
280 felony related to the individual's public office, other than an offense
281 under this title in accordance with subparagraph (A) of this
282 subdivision.

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

284 (1) The candidate committee has received the required amount of
285 qualifying contributions;

286 (2) The candidate committee has repaid all moneys borrowed on
287 behalf of the campaign, as required by subsection (b) of section 9-710;

288 (3) The candidate committee has returned any contribution of five
289 dollars or more from an individual who does not include the
290 individual's name and address with the contribution;

291 (4) The candidate committee has returned all contributions or
292 portions of contributions that do not meet the criteria for qualifying
293 contributions under section 9-704 and transmitted all excess qualifying
294 contributions to the Citizens' Election Fund;

295 (5) The treasurer of the candidate committee will: (A) Comply with
296 the provisions of chapter 155 and this chapter, and (B) maintain and
297 furnish all records required pursuant to chapter 155 and this chapter
298 and any regulation adopted pursuant to such chapters;

299 (6) All moneys received from the Citizens' Election Fund will be
300 deposited upon receipt into the depository account of the candidate
301 committee;

302 (7) The treasurer of the candidate committee will expend all moneys
303 received from the fund in accordance with the provisions of subsection

304 (g) of section 9-607 and regulations adopted by the State Elections
305 Enforcement Commission under subsection (e) of this section;

306 (8) If the candidate withdraws from the campaign, becomes
307 ineligible or dies during the campaign, the candidate committee of the
308 candidate will return to the [commission] department, for deposit in
309 the fund, all moneys received from the fund pursuant to sections 9-700
310 to 9-716, inclusive, as amended by this act, which said candidate
311 committee has not spent as of the date of such occurrence;

312 (9) All outstanding civil penalties or forfeitures assessed pursuant to
313 chapters 155 to 157, inclusive, against the current or any former
314 committee of the candidate have been paid, provided (A) in the case of
315 any candidate seeking nomination for or election to the office of
316 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller,
317 Secretary of the State or State Treasurer, any such penalty or forfeiture
318 was assessed not later than twenty-four months prior to the
319 submission of an application pursuant to this section; or (B) in the case
320 of any candidate seeking nomination for or election to the office of
321 state senator or state representative, any such penalty or forfeiture was
322 assessed not later than twelve months prior to the submission of an
323 application pursuant to this section;

324 (10) The treasurer has paid any civil penalties or forfeitures assessed
325 pursuant to chapters 155 to 157, inclusive, and has not been convicted
326 of or pled guilty or nolo contendere to, in a court of competent
327 jurisdiction, any (A) felony involving fraud, forgery, larceny,
328 embezzlement or bribery, or (B) criminal offense under this title, unless
329 at least eight years have elapsed from the date of the conviction or plea
330 or the completion of any sentence, whichever date is later, without a
331 subsequent conviction of or plea to another such felony or offense;

332 (11) The candidate has not been convicted of or pled guilty or nolo
333 contendere to, in a court of competent jurisdiction, a criminal offense
334 under this title unless at least eight years have elapsed from the date of
335 the conviction or plea or the completion of any sentence, whichever

336 date is later, without a subsequent conviction of or plea to another
337 such offense; and

338 (12) The candidate has never been convicted of or pled guilty or
339 nolo contendere to, in a court of competent jurisdiction, a felony
340 related to the individual's public office, other than a criminal offense
341 under this title in accordance with subdivision (11) of this subsection.

342 (c) The application shall be accompanied by a cumulative itemized
343 accounting of all funds received, expenditures made and expenses
344 incurred but not yet paid by the candidate committee as of three days
345 preceding the day the application is filed. Such accounting shall be
346 sworn to under penalty of false statement by the treasurer of the
347 candidate committee. The [commission] department shall prescribe the
348 form of the application and the cumulative itemized accounting. The
349 form for such accounting shall conform to the requirements of section
350 9-608. Both the candidate and the treasurer of the candidate committee
351 shall sign the application.

352 (d) In accordance with the provisions of subsection (g) of this
353 section, the [commission] department shall review the application,
354 determine whether (1) the candidate committee for the applicant has
355 received the required qualifying contributions, (2) in the case of an
356 application for a grant from the fund for a primary campaign, the
357 applicant has met the applicable condition under subsection (a) of this
358 section for applying for such grant and complied with the provisions
359 of subsections (b) and (c) of this section, (3) in the case of an
360 application for a grant from the fund for a general election campaign,
361 the applicant has met the applicable condition under subsection (a) of
362 this section for applying for such moneys and complied with the
363 provisions of subsections (b) and (c) of this section, and (4) in the case
364 of an application by a minor party or petitioning party candidate for a
365 grant from the fund for a general election campaign, the applicant
366 qualifies as an eligible minor party candidate or an eligible petitioning
367 party candidate, whichever is applicable. If the [commission]
368 department approves an application, the [commission] department

369 shall determine the amount of the grant payable to the candidate
370 committee for the applicant pursuant to section 9-705, as amended by
371 this act, from the fund, and notify the State Comptroller and the
372 candidate of such candidate committee, of such amount. If the timing
373 of the [commission's] department's approval of the grant in relation to
374 the Secretary of the State's determination of ballot status is such that
375 the [commission] department cannot determine whether the qualified
376 candidate committee is entitled to the applicable full initial grant for
377 the primary or election or the applicable partial grant for the primary
378 or election, as the case may be, the [commission] department shall
379 approve the lesser applicable partial initial grant. The [commission]
380 department shall then authorize the payment of the remaining portion
381 of the applicable grant after the [commission] department has
382 knowledge of the circumstances regarding the ballot status of the
383 opposing candidates in such primary or election. Not later than two
384 business days following notification by the commission, the State
385 Comptroller shall draw an order on the State Treasurer for payment of
386 any such approved amount to the qualified candidate committee from
387 the fund.

388 (e) The State Elections Enforcement Commission shall adopt
389 regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, on
390 permissible expenditures under subsection (g) of section 9-607 for
391 qualified candidate committees receiving grants from the fund under
392 sections 9-700 to 9-716, inclusive, as amended by this act.

393 (f) If a nominated participating candidate dies, withdraws the
394 candidate's candidacy or becomes disqualified to hold the office for
395 which the candidate has been nominated after the [commission]
396 department approves the candidate's application for a grant under this
397 section, the candidate committee of the candidate who is nominated to
398 replace said candidate pursuant to section 9-460 shall be eligible to
399 receive grants from the fund without complying with the provisions of
400 section 9-704, if said replacement candidate files an affidavit under
401 section 9-703, as amended by this act, certifying the candidate's intent
402 to abide by the expenditure limits set forth in subsection (c) of section

403 9-702 and notifies the [commission] department on a form prescribed
404 by the [commission] department.

405 (g) (1) Any application submitted pursuant to this section for a
406 primary or general election shall be submitted in accordance with the
407 following schedule: (A) By five o'clock p.m. on the third Wednesday in
408 May of the year that the primary or election will be held at which such
409 participating candidate will seek nomination or election, or (B) by five
410 o'clock p.m. on any subsequent Wednesday of such year, provided no
411 application shall be accepted by the [commission] department after
412 five o'clock p.m. on or after the fourth to last Friday prior to the
413 primary or election at which such participating candidate will seek
414 nomination or election. Not later than five business days following any
415 such Wednesday or Friday, as applicable, for participating candidates
416 seeking nomination or election to the office of state senator or state
417 representative, or ten business days following any such Wednesday or
418 Friday, as applicable, for participating candidates seeking nomination
419 or election to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney
420 General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer or Secretary of the State or,
421 in the event of a national, regional or local emergency or local natural
422 disaster, as soon thereafter as is practicable, the [commission]
423 department shall review any application received by such Wednesday
424 or Friday, in accordance with the provisions of subsection (d) of this
425 section, and determine whether such application shall be approved or
426 disapproved. Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection, if an
427 application for a general election grant is received during the period
428 beginning at five o'clock p.m. on the Wednesday of the week
429 preceding the week of the last primary application deadline and
430 ending five o'clock p.m. on the last primary application deadline, as set
431 forth in this subsection, the [commission] department shall review
432 such application in accordance with the provisions of subsection (d) of
433 this section and determine whether it shall be approved or
434 disapproved not later than five business days or ten business days, as
435 applicable, after the first application deadline following the last
436 primary application deadline. For any such application that is

437 approved, any disbursement of funds by the [commission] department
438 shall be made not later than twelve business days prior to any such
439 primary or general election. From the third week of June in even-
440 numbered years until the third week in July, the [commission]
441 department shall meet twice weekly to determine whether or not to
442 approve applications for grants if there are pending grant applications.

443 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (1) of this
444 subsection, no application for a special election shall be accepted by
445 the [commission] department after five o'clock p.m. on or after ten
446 business days prior to the special election at which such participating
447 candidate will seek election. Not later than three business days
448 following such deadline, or, in the event of a national, regional or local
449 emergency or local natural disaster, as soon thereafter as practicable,
450 the [commission] department shall review any such application
451 received by such deadline, in accordance with the provisions of
452 subsection (d) of this section, and determine whether such application
453 shall be approved or disapproved. For any such application that is
454 approved, any disbursement of funds by the [commission] department
455 shall be made not later than seven business days prior to any such
456 special election.

457 (3) The [commission] department shall publish such application
458 review schedules and meeting schedules on the [commission's]
459 department's web site and with the Secretary of the State.

460 Sec. 507. Section 9-708 of the general statutes is repealed and the
461 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

462 A qualified candidate committee that received moneys from the
463 Citizens' Election Fund for a primary campaign and whose candidate
464 is the party nominee shall receive a grant from the fund for a general
465 election campaign. Upon receiving verification from the Secretary of
466 the State of the declaration by the Secretary of the State in accordance
467 with the provisions of section 9-440 of the results of the votes cast at
468 the primary, the [State Elections Enforcement Commission]

469 Department of Administrative Services shall notify the State
470 Comptroller of the amount payable to such qualified candidate
471 committee pursuant to section 9-705, as amended by this act. Not later
472 than two business days following notification by the [commission]
473 department, the State Comptroller shall draw an order on the State
474 Treasurer for payment of the general election campaign grant to said
475 committee from said fund.

476 Sec. 508. Subsection (b) of section 9-710 of the general statutes is
477 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
478 *passage*):

479 (b) All such loans shall be repaid in full prior to the date such
480 candidate committee applies for a grant from the Citizens' Election
481 Fund pursuant to section 9-706, as amended by this act. A candidate
482 who fails to repay such loans or fails to certify such repayment to the
483 [State Elections Enforcement Commission] Department of
484 Administrative Services shall not be eligible to receive and shall not
485 receive grants from the fund.

486 Sec. 509. Section 9-716 of the general statutes is repealed and the
487 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

488 (a) Not later than June 1, 2007, and annually thereafter, the [State
489 Elections Enforcement Commission] Department of Administrative
490 Services shall issue a report on the status of the Citizens' Election Fund
491 during the previous calendar year. Such report shall include the
492 amount of moneys deposited in the fund, the sources of moneys
493 received by category, the number of contributions, the number of
494 contributors, the amount of moneys expended by category, the
495 recipients of moneys distributed from the fund and an accounting of
496 the costs incurred by the [commission] department in administering
497 the provisions of this chapter.

498 (b) Not later than January first in any year in which a state election
499 is to be held, the [commission] department shall determine whether
500 the amount of moneys in the fund is sufficient to carry out the

501 purposes of this chapter. The [commission] department shall issue a
502 report on said determination.

503 (c) The [commission] State Elections Enforcement Commission shall
504 establish a reserve account in the fund. The first twenty-five thousand
505 dollars deposited in the fund during any year shall be placed in said
506 account. The [commission] Department of Administrative Services
507 shall use moneys in the reserve account only during the seven days
508 preceding a primary or an election for payments of grants pursuant to
509 the provisions of this chapter if the fund is otherwise insufficient for
510 the purposes of making such payments.

511 Sec. 510. Section 9-719 of the general statutes is repealed and the
512 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

513 (a) After each general election, the [State Elections Enforcement
514 Commission] Department of Administrative Services shall compile
515 and analyze the following:

516 (1) The amount of grants made during the election cycle from the
517 Citizens' Election Fund established under section 9-701;

518 (2) The amount of expenditures reported by each candidate
519 participating in the Citizens' Election Program established under
520 section 9-702, as amended by this act, and by each candidate not
521 participating in the program during the election cycle;

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

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

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

528 (b) Not later than January 1, 2012, and biennially thereafter, the
529 [State Elections Enforcement Commission] Department of

530 Administrative Services shall report its analysis conducted under
 531 subsection (a) of this section and any recommendations for
 532 adjustments to grant amounts under the Citizens' Election Program to
 533 the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having
 534 cognizance of matters relating to elections in accordance with the
 535 provisions of section 11-4a.

536 Sec. 511. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of
 537 the general statutes except section 4-39 of the general statutes thereof,
 538 the duties of the State Elections Enforcement Commission related to
 539 the approval of applications for and the payment of grants from the
 540 Citizens' Election Fund under the Citizens' Election Program shall be
 541 under the Department of Administrative Services."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	<i>from passage</i>	9-700
Sec. 502	<i>from passage</i>	9-702(b)
Sec. 503	<i>from passage</i>	9-703
Sec. 504	<i>from passage</i>	9-705(d)
Sec. 505	<i>from passage</i>	9-705(h)
Sec. 506	<i>from passage</i>	9-706
Sec. 507	<i>from passage</i>	9-708
Sec. 508	<i>from passage</i>	9-710(b)
Sec. 509	<i>from passage</i>	9-716
Sec. 510	<i>from passage</i>	9-719
Sec. 511	<i>from passage</i>	New section