

SENATE BILL No. 17

By Committee on Education

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1 AN ACT concerning elections; relating to campaign finance; amending
2 K.S.A. 25-4153 and repealing the existing section.

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4 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

5 Section 1. K.S.A. 25-4153 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-
6 4153. (a) The aggregate amount contributed to a candidate and such
7 candidate's candidate committee and to all party committees and political
8 committees and dedicated to such candidate's campaign, by any political
9 committee or any person except a party committee, the candidate or the
10 candidate's spouse, shall not exceed the following:

11 (1) For the pair of offices of governor and lieutenant governor or for
12 other state officers elected from the state as a whole, \$2,000 for each
13 primary election (or in lieu thereof a caucus or convention of a political
14 party) and an equal amount for each general election;

15 (2) For the office of member of the house of representatives, district
16 judge, district magistrate judge, district attorney, ~~member of the state~~
17 ~~board of education~~ or a candidate for local office, \$500 for each primary
18 election (or in lieu thereof a caucus or convention of a political party) and
19 an equal amount for each general election.

20 (3) For the office of state senator *or member of the state board of*
21 *education*, \$1,000 for each primary election (or in lieu thereof a caucus or
22 convention of a political party) and an equal amount for each general
23 election.

24 (b) For the purposes of this section, the face value of a loan at the
25 end of the period of time allocable to the primary or general election is
26 the amount subject to the limitations of this section. A loan in excess of
27 the limits herein provided may be made during the allocable period if
28 such loan is reduced to the permissible level, when combined with all
29 other contributions from the person making such loan, at the end of such
30 allocable period.

31 (c) For the purposes of this section, all contributions made by
32 unemancipated children under 18 years of age shall be considered to be
33 contributions made by the parent or parents of such children. The total
34 amount of such contribution shall be attributed to a single custodial
35 parent and 50% of such contribution to each of two parents.

36 (d) The aggregate amount contributed to a state party committee by

1 a person other than a national party committee or a political committee
2 shall not exceed \$15,000 in each calendar year; and the aggregate amount
3 contributed to any other party committee by a person other than a national
4 party committee or a political committee shall not exceed \$5,000 in each
5 calendar year.

6 The aggregate amount contributed by a national party committee to a
7 state party committee shall not exceed \$25,000 in any calendar year, and
8 the aggregate amount contributed to any other party committee by a
9 national party committee shall not exceed \$10,000 in any calendar year.

10 The aggregate amount contributed to a party committee by a political
11 committee shall not exceed \$5,000 in any calendar year.

12 (e) Any political funds which have been collected and were not
13 subject to the reporting requirements of this act shall be deemed a person
14 subject to these contribution limitations.

15 (f) Any political funds which have been collected and were subject
16 to the reporting requirements of the campaign finance act shall not be
17 used in or for the campaign of a candidate for a federal elective office.

18 (g) The amount contributed by each individual party committee of
19 the same political party other than a national party committee to any
20 candidate for office, for any primary election at which two or more
21 candidates are seeking the nomination of such party shall not exceed the
22 following:

23 (1) For the pair of offices of governor and lieutenant governor and
24 for each of the other state officers elected from the state as a whole,
25 \$2,000 for each primary election (or in lieu thereof a caucus or
26 convention of a political party);

27 (2) For the office of member of the house of representatives, district
28 judge, district magistrate judge, district attorney, ~~member of the state~~
29 ~~board of education~~ or a candidate for local office, \$500 for each primary
30 election (or in lieu thereof a caucus or convention of a political party).

31 (3) For the office of state senator *or member of the state board of*
32 *education*, \$1,000 for each primary election (or in lieu thereof a caucus or
33 convention of a political party).

34 (h) When a candidate for a specific cycle does not run for office, the
35 contribution limitations of this section shall apply as though the
36 individual had sought office.

37 (i) No person shall make any contribution or contributions to any
38 candidate or the candidate committee of any candidate in the form of
39 money or currency of the United States which in the aggregate exceeds
40 \$100 for any one primary or general election, and no candidate or
41 candidate committee of any candidate shall accept any contribution or
42 contributions in the form of money or currency of the United States
43 which in the aggregate exceeds \$100 from any one person for any one

1 primary or general election.

2 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 25-4153 is hereby repealed.

3 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its

4 publication in the statute book.