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Introduction

Anyone with a serious interest in political finance is likely to have heard, made, debunked, or wondered about claims that campaign finance laws “make a difference”. These claims may be about the influence that money has on who decides to run, how candidates campaign, who wins, how they behave in office, which donors or spending organizations wield power in the political system, and what policies come out in the end. These outcomes may be related to the laws for contributions, disclosure, public financing, or any of the dozens of the other provisions that may govern money in politics. Assessing the claims rigorously will often require a researcher to consider the way the rules in multiple jurisdictions have worked over time.

Scholars typically have gathered information about the laws on an ad hoc basis to serve the needs of specific projects. These efforts can be time consuming, and the resulting collections are often not quite what the next scholar needs for the next research question – which typically means the next scholar will have to start over again.

The CFI historical database of state laws is meant to make such research easier. It is an extensive summary of the provisions in each of the fifty states’ campaign finance laws since 1996. (When combined with an earlier database for legislative elections constructed by Keith Hamm and Robert Hogan, some of the information can be taken back to 1976. More information about the Hamm and Hogan data set is available on the same website page as this codebook.) The summaries in this database take the form of hundreds of fields for each of the states, every two years. They include citations to the then-contemporary state codes for those who want to consult the underlying text, but the database standardizes most fields to facilitate comparative research. The fields themselves are descriptions of the statute law in effect for the election to be held that year or the state’s next regular election year. (For states with odd-numbered year elections, the laws in effect for an election will be listed with the preceding even-numbered year.)

The effort in this project was to present the facial meanings of statutes and not to rely on administrative interpretations. A lawyer advising a client therefore will normally need more detailed information than is available here. Judicial interpretations also are not included, with the exception of definitive rulings declaring a provision to be unconstitutional. If a law passed and was declared unconstitutional before an election, the law that was actually in effect for the election appears in the database.

This codebook describes all of the fields in the full database, which is available at no charge for downloading in standard electronic formats. A subset of the full database is also available in a visualized format on the Campaign Finance Institute’s website. The data behind these visualized components may also be downloaded in standard formats, in much smaller files. The fields included in the visualized version are marked with an asterisk in the full codebook. Visualized fields appear in the section of this codebook for Contribution Limits, Other Restrictions, Disclosure, and Public Financing/Tax Credits. There were no visualizations for the codebook’s first section (Definitions) or last (Agencies).
The fields in the full database come in six major sections:

(a) Definitions
This section offers definitions of many of the key technical terms used in campaign finance law – such as what counts as a contribution or expenditure in each state, what is a political committee or what is a political party. This is the most text-heavy section of the database. Because the entries do not lend themselves readily to shorthand summaries or yes/no answers, none of these appear in the online visualized version of the database.

(b) Contribution limits
This section is the longest in the codebook. It includes limits on contributions that come FROM individuals, political parties, political action committees (PACs), and others, and that go TO candidates (legislative and gubernatorial), political parties, PACs and others. It also includes prohibitions on corporate and labor contributions.

(c) Other restrictions
This section includes prohibitions on expenditures by corporations and labor unions, other prohibitions, and rules for contributions during a legislative session and for contributions by donors who do business with the state.

(d) Disclosure – by whom and of what
This section describes who is required to disclose the sources of their money and how they spend it, as well as the thresholds for reporting a specific donor’s name, address and employer. It includes the requirements for candidates, parties, PACs and ballot initiative committees. Disclosure rules for independent spending and electioneering are included, as are the rules for mandatory electronic filing, advertising disclaimers, and disclosure to corporate shareholders.

(e) Public financing and tax credits.
Included here is the type of public funding available to candidates and political parties (if any) and associated spending limits (if any). Also included are fields describing tax deductions for political contributions, tax credits, or refunds/rebates.

(f) Agencies
Included here are the agencies responsible for administering the campaign finance laws in each state. This could include separate bodies for regulation, compliance, public financing, disclosure and other functions.
These sections will be described in the pages that follow. First will be a table of contents, with each line acting as a link to the detailed material. Each major section will begin with paragraphs describing what is there, followed by a detailed description of every one of the database’s hundreds of fields.
1. DEFINITIONS

Laws often begin with sections defining the terms as they are to be used in a statute, rather than interspersing the definitions later. This database follows a similar practice.

The first three fields create an identifier for each record in the full database. Each record is uniquely identified by a code made up of the state’s two-letter abbreviation immediately followed by four digits to signify the year.

The remaining fields in this section define a series of technical terms, including statutory exemptions. Explanations are also provided, together with citations.

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<td>Next regular election for Governor, starting with the year indicated.</td>
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Definitions of terms

The first series of terms uses three different fields for each term. One indicates whether the term is specifically defined in state law. The answer is are either yes or no. The second provides a citation to the state code in effect for that year.
The third is a text field summarizing the definition, usually with quotations. These three fields are repeated for each of the following terms: candidate, contribution, political party, political committee (PAC), and political expenditure. The definition section ends with independent expenditures and electioneering. The field names and descriptions are as follows.

**CANDIDATE**
- **TEXT**
  - Is the term specifically defined in state law? The answer choices are yes or no.
- **CANDIDATE_CITATION**
  - **TEXT**
    - Citation to the statute in effect for that year in the state’s code.
- **CANDIDATE_EXPLAINED**
  - **MEMO**
    - Text field summarizing the definition

**CONTRIBUTION**
- **TEXT**
  - Defined in statute? The answer choices are yes or no.
- **CANDIDATE_CITATION**
  - **TEXT**
    - Citation to the statute in effect for that year in the state’s code.
- **CANDIDATE_EXPLAINED**
  - **MEMO**
    - Text field summarizing the definition

**POLITICALPARTY_COMMITTEE**
- **TEXT**
  - Is the term political party committee (or types of party committee) specifically defined in the state’s campaign finance law? The answer choices are yes or no.
- **POLITICALPARTY_CITATION**
  - **TEXT**
    - Citation to the statute in effect for that year in the state’s code.
- **POLITICALPARTY_EXPLAINED**
  - **TEXT**
    - Text field summarizing the definition

**POLITICALCOMMITTEE_PAC**
- **TEXT**
  - Is the term specifically defined in state law? The answer choices are yes or no.
- **POLITICALCOMMITTEE_CITATION**
  - **TEXT**
    - Citation to the statute in effect for that year in the state’s code.
- **POLITICALCOMMITTEE_EXPLAINED**
  - **MEMO**
    - Text field summarizing the definition

**POLITICALCOMMITTEE_IE-ONLY**
- **TEXT**
  - Does the law create a special category for committees that only make independent expenditures? The answer choices are yes or no.
- **POLITICALCOMMITTEE_IE-ONLY_CITATION**
  - **TEXT**
    - Citation to the statute in effect for that year in the state’s code.
- **POLITICALCOMMITTEE_IE-ONLY_EXPLAINED**
  - **MEMO**
    - Text field summarizing the definition
Does the law create any other distinct category of PACs and treat them differently (such as small donor PACs)? The answer choices are yes or no.

Citation to the statute in effect for that year in the state’s code.

Text field summarizing the definition

Are political expenditures specifically defined in state law? The answer choices are yes or no.

Citation to the statute in effect for that year in the state’s code.

Text field summarizing the definition

Are independent expenditures specifically defined in state law? The answer choices are yes or no.

Citation to the statute in effect for that year in the state’s code.

Does the definition refer to the presence of a candidate’s name or likeness? The answer choices are yes or no.

Does the statute’s definition refer to any other aspect of the speech’s content (for example, express advocacy)? The answer choices are yes or no.

Does the statute’s definition limit the statute’s coverage to include only specific media, forms of communication, or actions? The answer choices are yes or no.

Does the statutory definition exempt any speech (such as a media or Internet exemption) or does it attempt to distinguish political speech from issue speech? The answer choices are yes or no.

Text field summarizing the definition

Does the definition refer to a specific time period during which the speech, advertising or spending occurs? The answer choices are yes or no.
2. CONTRIBUTION LIMITS

LIMITS: Many states put limits on the amount of political campaign contributions that donors may give to recipients. These limits typically will be different for various categories of donors (such as individuals, political parties, or political committees). They also may vary for candidates running for different offices and they may vary if the recipient is a political committee or party. The standard field name for this long set of fields will follow this format: <LABEL FOR THE TYPE OF DONOR> TO <LABEL FOR THE TYPE OF RECIPIENT>.

COLAs: Because many state laws include cost of living adjustments (COLAs) for their contribution limits, a series of fields appear before the limits to indicate whether the state’s law uses COLAs. If yes, the limits reported for any given year will be for the adjusted amount, including COLAs.

TIME PERIODS AND STANDARDIZATION: Where limits exist, the statute typically will say that a recipient may accept no more than a specific amount in the aggregate from a particular donor over the course of designated time period. The law will then say whether the limit is per year, per election, or per election cycle. If a donor is allowed to give a certain amount per year, then the donor may give twice as much during a two year election cycle. In some states, the donor may give six times during a six year term of office. However, if the law says that the limit is per election, then the donor typically may give that amount only once for a primary (even during a four-year or six-year term) and then again for a general election. This database presents the limits as they exist in state law, together with the time period in the law.

However, the database also creates a new field indicating the maximum amount that a donor may give over the course of a two-year election cycle during which there are two elections (a primary and general election, with no runoff or special election). This computed number lets the states’ limits be compared directly to one another. It is the field we recommend using for comparative analysis. It is also the field chosen for visualization.

If a user is interested in how much a candidate may raise during a full term in office in one of the few states that express their contribution limits as being “per year”, then the user should take the unstandardized contribution limit and multiply it by the number of years in a term. The number of years in a term may be found in the Definitions section of the database. One caution: sometimes a state may change a contribution limit in the middle of a four-year or six-year term of office. During a transitional period, the earlier contribution limit may apply to the earlier years with the later limit covering later years. This database only covers the two year period for each listed year in the database. Years in which a state changes its contribution limit may be seen easily in the database’s visualization tool. The information is also available in the full database download.

SPECIAL LIMITS: This section indicates whether a state has special limits on contributions from lobbyists or people who do business with the government. The section also includes entries showing whether there is a ceiling on the aggregate amount a donor may give to all recipients combined.
PROHIBITIONS: Some states have prohibited contributions by certain entities (such as corporations, labor unions or foreign nationals). These are indicated at the end of the section on contributions, along with prohibitions that apply only to specific time periods (such as during a legislative session).

The fields for the contribution section of the database are as follows. Field names with an asterisk (*) and highlighted are also included in the visualized website version.

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<td>COLA</td>
<td>TEXT Does the law adjust limits for inflation?</td>
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<td>COLA_WHICH</td>
<td>TEXT Which contributions covered by cola?</td>
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<td>COLA_BASEYEAR</td>
<td>INTEGER Which is the base year if contributions are adjusted for inflation?</td>
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<td>ADJUSTMENT_OTHER</td>
<td>TEXT Does the law use some index other than inflation to adjust the limits, such as population or voters?</td>
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<td>ADJUSTMENT_OTHER_EXPLAINED</td>
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<td>ADJUSTMENT_OTHER_BASEYEAR</td>
<td>INTEGER Which is the year in which the basis for adjusting the limits went into effect?</td>
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<td>PRIMARY_GENERAL_DIFFERENCE</td>
<td>TEXT Does the law use different limits for primaries and general elections?</td>
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<td>PRIMARY_GENERAL_DIFFERENCE_EXPLAINED</td>
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<td>TEXT Does the state place a limit on how much an individual may give to a candidate? Answers are: Limited, Unlimited, Prohibited, Other. If the answer is “unlimited”, the subsequent fields are left blank. If the answer is “unlimited”, the subsequent fields are left blank.</td>
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<td>INDIVIDUALTOCANDLIMIT_H</td>
<td>INTEGER How much is the limit in the law (including the cola for this year if applicable)? [Zero where a contribution is prohibited. Blank where unlimited.]</td>
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<td>INDIVIDUALTOCANDLIMIT_H_PERIOD</td>
<td>TEXT Choices are: Per election, per election cycle, per year, other.</td>
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*INDIVIDUALTOCANDLIMIT_H_MAX INTEGER
What is the maximum amount an individual may give to a House/Assembly candidate over the course of two years?

INDIVIDUALTOCANDLIMIT_H_EXPLAINED MEMO
Explanatory notes, if needed.

Individuals to Senate candidates:

INDIVIDUALTOCANDLIMIT_S INTEGER
How much is the limit in the law (including the cola for this year if applicable)?
[Zero where a contribution is prohibited. Blank where unlimited.]

INDIVIDUALTOCANDLIMIT_S_PERIOD TEXT
Choices are: Per election, per election cycle, per year, other.

*INDIVIDUALTOCANDLIMIT_S_MAX INTEGER
What is the maximum amount an individual may give to a Senate candidate over the course of two years?

INDIVIDUALTOCANDLIMIT_S_EXPLAINED MEMO
Explanatory notes, if needed.

Individuals to gubernatorial candidates:

INDIVIDUALTOCANDLIMIT_G INTEGER
How much is the limit in the law (including the cola for this year if applicable)?
[Zero where a contribution is prohibited. Blank where unlimited.]

INDIVIDUALTOCANDLIMIT_G_PERIOD TEXT
Choices are: Per election, per election cycle, per year, other.

*INDIVIDUALTOCANDLIMIT_G_MAX INTEGER
What is the maximum amount an individual may give to a Gubernatorial candidate over the course of two years?

INDIVIDUALTOCANDLIMIT_G_EXPLAINED MEMO
Explanatory notes, if needed.

PACTOCAND TEXT
Does the state place a limit on how much a political committee (PAC) may give to a candidate? Answers are: Limited, Unlimited, Prohibited, Other. If the answer is “unlimited”, the subsequent fields are left blank.

PACs to candidates for the House/Assembly:

PACTOCANDLIMIT_H INTEGER
How much is the limit in the law (including the cola for this year if applicable)?
[Zero where a contribution is prohibited. Blank where unlimited.]

PACTOCANDLIMIT_H_PERIOD TEXT
Choices are: Per election, per election cycle, per year, other.
*PACTOCANDLIMIT_H_MAX
   INTEGER
   What is the maximum amount a PAC may give to a House/Assembly candidate over the course of two years?
PACTOCANDLIMIT_H_EXPLAINED
   MEMO
   Explanatory notes, if needed.

PACs to Senate candidates:
PACTOCANDLIMIT_S
   INTEGER
   How much is the limit in the law (including the cola for this year if applicable)?
   [Zero where a contribution is prohibited. Blank where unlimited.]
PACTOCANDLIMIT_S_PERIOD
   TEXT
   Choices are: Per election, per election cycle, per year, other.
*PACTOCANDLIMIT_S_MAX
   INTEGER
   What is the maximum amount a PAC may give to a Senate candidate over the course of two years?
PACTOCANDLIMIT_S_EXPLAINED
   MEMO
   Explanatory notes, if needed.

PACs to gubernatorial candidates:
PACTOCANDLIMIT_G
   INTEGER
   How much is the limit in the law (including the cola for this year if applicable)?
   [Zero where a contribution is prohibited. Blank where unlimited.]
PACTOCANDLIMIT_G_PERIOD
   TEXT
   Choices are: Per election, per election cycle, per year, other.
*PACTOCANDLIMIT_G_MAX
   INTEGER
   What is the maximum amount a PAC may give to a gubernatorial candidate over the course of two years?
PACTOCANDLIMIT_G_EXPLAINED
   MEMO
   Explanatory notes, if needed.

SPECIALPACTOCAND
   TEXT
   Does the state place a limit (other than the regular limits on PACs) on contributions to candidates from a special category of PACs (such as small donor PACs)? Answers are: Limited, Unlimited, Prohibited, Other. If the answer is “unlimited”, the subsequent fields are left blank.

Special PACs to candidates for the House/Assembly:
SPECIALPACTOCANDLIMIT_H
   INTEGER
   How much is the limit in the law (including the cola for this year if applicable)?
   [Zero where a contribution is prohibited. Blank where unlimited.]
SPECIALPACTOCANDLIMIT_H_PERIOD
   TEXT
   Choices are: Per election, per election cycle, per year, other.
SPECIALPACTOCANDLIMIT_H_MAX  INTEGER
What is the maximum amount a Special PAC may give to a House/Assembly candidate over the course of two years?

SPECIALPACTOCANDLIMIT_H_EXPLAINED  MEMO
Explanatory notes, if needed.

Special PACs to Senate candidates:
SPECIALPACTOCANDLIMIT_S  INTEGER
How much is the limit in the law (including the cola for this year if applicable)?
[Zero where a contribution is prohibited. Blank where unlimited.]
SPECIALPACTOCANDLIMIT_S_PERIOD  TEXT
Choices are: Per election, per election cycle, per year, other.
SPECIALPACTOCANDLIMIT_S_MAX  INTEGER
What is the maximum amount a Special PAC may give to a Senate candidate over the course of two years?
SPECIALPACTOCANDLIMIT_S_EXPLAINED  MEMO
Explanatory notes, if needed.

Special PACs to gubernatorial candidates:
SPECIALPACTOCANDLIMIT_G  INTEGER
How much is the limit in the law (including the cola for this year if applicable)?
[Zero where a contribution is prohibited. Blank where unlimited.]
SPECIALPACTOCANDLIMIT_G_PERIOD  TEXT
Choices are: Per election, per election cycle, per year, other.
SPECIALPACTOCANDLIMIT_G_MAX  INTEGER
What is the maximum amount a Special PAC may give to a gubernatorial candidate over the course of two years?
SPECIALPACTOCANDLIMIT_G_EXPLAINED  MEMO
Explanatory notes, if needed.

CORPTOCAND  TEXT
Does the state permit and place a limit on how much a corporation may give to a candidate from its treasury? Answers are: Limited, Unlimited, Prohibited, Other. If the answer is “unlimited”, the subsequent fields are left blank.

Corporations to candidates for the House/Assembly:
CORPTOCANDLIMIT_H  INTEGER
How much is the limit in the law (including the cola for this year if applicable)?
[Zero where a contribution is prohibited. Blank where unlimited.]
CORPTOCANDLIMIT_H_PERIOD  TEXT
Choices are: Per election, per election cycle, per year, other.
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CORPTOCANDLIMIT_H_MAX
What is the maximum amount a corporation may give from its treasury to a House/Assembly candidate over the course of two years?

CORPTOCANDLIMIT_H_EXPLAINED
Explanatory notes, if needed.

Corporations to Senate candidates:
CORPTOCANDLIMIT_S
How much is the limit in the law (including the cola for this year if applicable)?
[Zero where a contribution is prohibited. Blank where unlimited.]

CORPTOCANDLIMIT_S_PERIOD
Choices are: Per election, per election cycle, per year, other.

CORPTOCANDLIMIT_S_MAX
What is the maximum amount a corporation may give from its treasury to a Senate candidate over the course of two years?

CORPTOCANDLIMIT_S_EXPLAINED
Explanatory notes, if needed.

Corporations to gubernatorial candidates:
CORPTOCANDLIMIT_G
How much is the limit in the law (including the cola for this year if applicable)?
[Zero where a contribution is prohibited. Blank where unlimited.]

CORPTOCANDLIMIT_G_PERIOD
Choices are: Per election, per election cycle, per year, other.

CORPTOCANDLIMIT_G_MAX
What is the maximum amount a corporation may give from its treasury to a gubernatorial candidate over the course of two years?

CORPTOCANDLIMIT_G_EXPLAINED
Explanatory notes, if needed.

LABORTOCAND
Does the state permit and place a limit on how much a labor union may give to a candidate from its treasury? Answers are: Limited, Unlimited, Prohibited, Other. If the answer is “unlimited”, the subsequent fields are left blank.

Labor unions to candidates for the House/Assembly:
LABORTOCANDLIMIT_H
How much is the limit in the law (including the cola for this year if applicable)?
[Zero where a contribution is prohibited. Blank where unlimited.]

LABORTOCANDLIMIT_H_PERIOD
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LOCALPTOCAND
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Local parties to candidates for the House/Assembly:
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Explanatory notes, if needed.

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OTHERTOCANDLIMIT_G_EXPLAINED MEMO
Explanatory notes, if needed.

Aggregate Limits:

*AGGCANDLIMIT TEXT
Is there an aggregate limit on contributions from a donor to all candidates in the state in a given time period? The answer choices are yes or no.

AGGCANDLIMITEXPLAIN MEMO
If yes, provide an explanation here.

Doing Business Limits:

*DOINGBUSINESSLIMITS TEXT
Are contribution limits lower for people or organizations doing business with the state? The answer choices are yes or no.

DOINGBUSINESSMINIMUM INTEGER
Minimum amount of business with state that triggers reduced limits

DOINGBUSINESSDONORS MEMO
Doing business limits apply to which donors?

DOINGBUSINESSCONTRIBLIMIT MEMO
How much may a covered donor contribute per election cycle?

DOINGBUSINESSCANDIDATES MEMO
To which candidates do the doing business limits apply?
**DOING BUSINESS PARTIES**

Do doing business limits apply to contributions from donors to parties? The answer choices are yes or no.

**DOING BUSINESS OTHER**

Do doing business limits apply to contributions from donors to non-party, non-candidate entities? The answer choices are yes or no.

**Lobbyists:**

*LOBBYIST_LIMITS*

Does the law contain special contribution limits or prohibitions for lobbyists? The answer choices are yes or no.

**LOBBYIST_LIMITS EXPLAIN**

If yes, explain.

**Exempt Accounts:**

CANDLIMITEXEMPTIONS

May a candidate or office holder create an account exempt from the contribution limit? The answer choices are yes or no.

**CANDLIMITEXEMPTIONSEXPLAINED**

If yes, explain.

**Special Conditions:**

SPECIALCONDITIONSCHANGELIMITS

Do contribution limits for any candidates increase or decrease under special conditions? The answer choices are yes or no.

**SPECIALCONDITIONSLIMITSEXPLAINED**

If yes, explain.

**CONTRIBUTIONS TO POLITICAL PARTIES. LCCs AND PACs**

**CONTRIBUTIONS TO POLITICAL PARTIES**

CONTRIBUTIONSTOPARTIES_CITATION

Citation(s) to provision(s) in the then-current state code covering contributions to political parties and legislative campaign committees (LCCs).

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Explanatory notes.

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**CONTRIBUTIONS TO LEGISLATIVE CAMPAIGN COMMITTEES (LCC)**

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What is the maximum a labor union may give from its treasury to an LCC over the course of two years?

Explanatory notes.

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What is the maximum a national political party may give from its treasury to an LCC over the course of two years?

**NATIONALPTOLCCLIMIT_EXPLAINED**

Explanatory notes.

### LEGCAMPAIGNCOMMLIMIT

Do the same contribution limits apply to legislative campaign committees as apply to party committees? The answer choices are yes or no.

### LCCLIMITEXEMPTIONS

May a legislative campaign committee or party leader create an account exempt from the contribution limit? The answer choices are yes or no.

### DONORAGGTOPARTYLIMIT

Is there an aggregate limit on a donor's contributions to all party and legislative campaign committees in the state in a given time period? The answer choices are yes or no.

### CONTRIBUTIONS TO POLITICAL COMMITTEES (PACs)

#### POLITICALCOMMITTEES_CITATION

Citation(s) to provision(s) in the then-current state code.

#### INDIVIDUALTOPAC

Is there a limit on contributions from an individual to a political action committee (PAC)? Choose: Limited, Unlimited, Prohibited, Other. If the answer is “unlimited”, the subsequent fields are left blank.

#### INDIVIDUALTOPAACLIMIT

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#### INDIVIDUALTOPAACLIMIT_PERIOD

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#### *INDIVIDUALTOPAACLIMIT_MAX

What is the maximum an individual may give to a PAC over the course of two years?

#### INDIVIDUALTOPAACLIMIT_EXPLAINED

Explanatory notes.
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Is there a limit on contributions from a labor union’s treasury to a political action committee (PAC)? Choose: Limited, Unlimited, Prohibited, Other. If the answer is “unlimited”, the subsequent fields are left blank.

LABORTOPACLIMIT

If limited, what is the maximum amount, in the aggregate per donor? [Blank where unlimited.]

LABORTOPACLIMIT_PERIOD

What is the time period covered by the contribution limit? Choose: Per Election, Per Election Cycle, Per Year, Other.

*LABORTOPACLIMIT_MAX

What is the maximum a labor union may give to a PAC over the course of two years?

LABORTOPACLIMIT_EXPLAINED

Explanatory notes.

LOCALPTOPAC

Is there a limit on contributions from a local political party committee to a political action committee (PAC)? Choose: Limited, Unlimited, Prohibited, Other. If the answer is “unlimited”, the subsequent fields are left blank.

LOCALPTOPACLIMIT

If limited, what is the maximum amount, in the aggregate per donor? [Blank where unlimited.]

LOCALPTOPACLIMIT_PERIOD

What is the time period covered by the contribution limit? Choose: Per Election, Per Election Cycle, Per Year, Other.

LOCALPTOPACLIMIT_MAX

What is the maximum a local party may give to a PAC over the course of two years?

LOCALPTOPACLIMIT_EXPLAINED

Explanatory notes.

NATIONALPTOPAC

Is there a limit on contributions from a national political party committee to a state political party committee? Choose: Limited, Unlimited, Prohibited, Other. If the answer is “unlimited”, the subsequent fields are left blank.

NATIONALPTOPACLIMIT

If limited, what is the maximum amount, in the aggregate per donor? [Blank where unlimited.]

NATIONALPTOPACLIMIT_PERIOD

What is the time period covered by the contribution limit? Choose: Per Election, Per Election Cycle, Per Year, Other.

NATIONALPTOPACLIMIT_MAX

What is the maximum a national party may give to a PAC over the course of two years?

NATIONALPTOPACLIMIT_EXPLAINED

Explanatory notes.
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**DONORAGGTOPACLIMIT**

Is there an aggregate limit on a donor's contributions to all PACs in a given time period? The answer choices are yes or no.

### 3. OTHER RESTRICTIONS

**PROHIBITED_CITATION**

Citation(s) to provision(s) the then-current state code for prohibited contributions/expenditures.

**NONRESIDENTCONT**

Are contributions from non-residents prohibited? The answer choices are yes or no.

**OUTOFSTATECORPCONT**

Are contributions from out-of-state corporations prohibited? The answer choices are yes or no.

**OUTOFSTATECOMMCONT**

Are contributions from out-of-state political committees prohibited? The answer choices are yes or no.

**INNAMEOFANOTHER**

Are contributions in the name of another prohibited? The answer choices are yes or no.

**GAMBLINGCONT**

Are there limitations on contributions from persons/entities involved with gambling interests? The answer choices are yes or no.

**GAMBLINGCONTEXPLAIN**

Explanatory notes.

**REGINDCONT**

Are there limitations on contributions from certain regulated industries? The answer choices are yes or no.

**REGINDCONTEXPLAIN**

Explanatory notes.

**GOVTEMSOLICIT**

Are government employees prohibited from soliciting campaign contributions? The answer choices are yes or no.

**CONTLEGISSESSION**

Are there restrictions on accepting contributions or holding fundraising event during the legislative session? The answer choices are yes or no.

**LEGISSESSIONCOMMENTS**

Explanatory notes.

**CANDLOAN**

Are there limitations on the amount of loans a candidate may take out? The answer choices are yes or no.
**Corporate and Labor Contributions and Expenditure Prohibitions**

*CORPEXPENDPROHIB* TEXT
Are corporations prohibited from making political expenditures from their treasuries? The answer choices are yes or no.

*LABOREXPENDPROHIB* TEXT
Are labor unions prohibited from making political expenditures from their treasuries? The answer choices are yes or no.

EXPFORPRIMARYCAND TEXT
Are political parties prohibited from making expenditures to aid a party primary candidate? The answer choices are yes or no.

OTHERRESTRICTIONSEXPLAIN MEMO
List any other unique restrictions on contributions in the state.

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### 4. DISCLOSURE

**DISCLOSURE BY CANDIDATES, PACs AND PARTIES**

DISCLOSURE_CITATION MEMO
Citation(s) to provision(s) the then-current state code covering disclosure.

**Disclosure by Candidates:**

CANDFILERECEIPTS TEXT
Are candidates and/or their campaigns committees required to report the sources of their receipts? The answer choices are yes or no.

CANDFILEEXPEND TEXT
Are candidates and/or their campaign committees required to report their expenditures/disbursements? The answer choices are yes or no.

CANDFILEEXEMPTION TEXT
Are some candidates exempt from having to report? The answer choices are yes or no.

CANDFILEEXEMPTION_AMOUNT TEXT
If yes, what is the minimum amount of receipts or expenditures that triggers mandatory disclosure from the candidate?

*CANDDONOREXEMPTION* TEXT
What is the minimum aggregate of contributions from a donor that triggers mandatory disclosure of the donor’s identity?

CANDDONOREXPLAIN MEMO
Any special conditions for donor disclosure are explained here – for example, if disclosing the donor’s address or employer disclosure has a different threshold than for disclosing the donor’s name?

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Must bundled or earmarked contributions to or from the party committee be reported as such? The answer choices are yes or no.

PARTYFILE_BUNLDEREARMARKED_EXPLAINED  MEMO
If yes, explain the requirement, including a summary of relevant definitions.

Disclosure by Political Committees (PACs):

PACFILERECEIPTS  TEXT
Are non-party political committees required to report the sources of their receipts? The answer choices are yes or no.

PACFILEEXPEND  TEXT
Are non-party political committees required to report their expenditures/disbursements? The answer choices are yes or no.

PACFILEEXEMPTION  TEXT
Are some non-party political committees exempt from having to report? The answer choices are yes or no.

PACFILEEXEMPTION_AMOUNT  TEXT
If yes, what is the minimum amount of receipts or expenditures that triggers mandatory disclosure from the non-party political committee?

*PACDONOREXEMPTION  TEXT
What is the minimum aggregate of contributions from a donor that triggers mandatory disclosure of donor information?

PACDONOREXPLAIN  TEXT
If there are special conditions for donor disclosure explain here. For example, does donor address or employer disclosure have a different threshold than the donor’s name?

PACDONORADDRESS  TEXT
Must the non-party political committee report the donor's address? The answer choices are yes or no.

PACDONOROCCUPATION  TEXT
Must the non-party political committee report the donor's occupation? The answer choices are yes or no.

PACDONOREMPLOYER  TEXT
Must the non-party political committee report the donor's employer? The answer choices are yes or no.

PACEXPENDWHO  TEXT
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PACEXPENDADDRESS  TEXT
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PACEXPENDPURPOSE  TEXT
Must the report specify the disbursement's purpose? The answer choices are yes or no.

PAC_PREELECTION_REGULAR  TEXT
How many days before an election must non-party political committees file their final pre-election disclosure reports?

**PACFILE ELECTRONIC**
Are non-party political committees required to report electronically? The answer choices are yes or no.

**PACFILE ELECTRONIC EXEMPTION**
Are some non-party political committees exempt from having to report electronically? The answer choices are yes, no, or N/A if there is no requirement.

**PACFILE ELECTRONIC EXEMPTION AMOUNT**
If yes, what is the minimum amount of receipts or expenditures that triggers mandatory electronic disclosure from the non-party political committee?

**PACFILE BUNDLER EARMARKED**
Must bundled or earmarked contributions to or from the party committee be reported as such? The answer choices are yes or no.

**PACFILE BUNDLER EARMARKED EXPLAINED**
If yes, explain the requirement, including a summary of relevant definitions.

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**BALLOT COMMITTEES**

**Ballot Committee Disclosure:**

**BALLOTPROPFILE RECEIPTS**
Are ballot proposition committees required to report the sources of their receipts? The answer choices are yes or no.

**BALLOTPROPFILE EXPEND**
Are ballot proposition committees required to report their expenditures/disbursements? The answer choices are yes or no.

**BALLOTPROP POLCOMM**
Are ballot proposition committees treated in law as political committees, with the same disclosure requirements? If yes, skip the remaining questions in this section. If not, continue. The answer choices are yes or no.

**BALLOTPROPFILEEXEMPTION**
Are some ballot committees exempt from having to report? The answer choices are yes or no.

* **BALLOTPROPFILEEXEMPTION AMOUNT**
If yes, what is the minimum amount of receipts or expenditures that triggers mandatory disclosure from the ballot committee?

**BALLOTDONOREXEMPTION**
What is the minimum aggregate of contributions from a donor that triggers mandatory disclosure of donor identity?

**BALLOTDONOREXPLAIN**
MEMO
If there are special conditions for donor disclosure explain here. For example, does donor address or employer disclosure have a different threshold than the donor's name?

**BALLOTDONORADDRESS**
Must the ballot committee report the donor's address? The answer choices are yes or no.

**BALLOTDONOROCCUPATION**
Must the ballot committee report the donor's occupation? The answer choices are yes or no.

**BALLOTDONOREMPLOYER**
Must the non-party political committee report the donor's employer? The answer choices are yes or no.

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Must the report identify the recipient of a disbursement? The answer choices are yes or no.

**BALLOTEXPENDADDRESS**
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**BALLOTEXPENDPURPOSE**
Must the report specify the disbursement's purpose? The answer choices are yes or no.

**BALLOT_PREELECTION_REGULAR**
How many days before an election must non-party political committees file their final pre-election disclosure reports?

**BALLOT_PREELECTIONAVAILABLE**
How many days before the pre-election disclosure report is available to the public? If no time period is specified, write NA.

**BALLOTFILE_ELECTRONIC**
Are non-party political committees required to report electronically? The answer choices are yes or no.

**BALLOTFILE_ELECTRONIC_EXEMPTION**
Are some non-party political committees exempt from having to report electronically? The answer choices are yes, no, or N/A if there is no requirement.

**BALLOTFILE_ELECTRONIC_EXEMPTION_AMOUNT**
If yes, what is the minimum amount of receipts or expenditures that triggers mandatory electronic disclosure from the non-party political committee?

**BALLOTFILE_BundlerEARMARKED**
Must bundled or earmarked contributions to or from the party committee be reported as such? The answer choices are yes or no.

**BALLOTFILE_BundlerEARMARKED_EXPLAINED**
If yes, explain the requirement, including a summary of relevant definitions.
INDEPENDENT SPENDING AND ELECTIONEERING

Independent Expenditures:

IE_FILERS_INDIV
Must individuals who make independent expenditures file independent expenditure reports? The answer choices are yes or no.

IE_FILERS_PARTY
Must political parties that make independent expenditures file independent expenditure reports separate from their regular periodic reports? The answer choices are yes or no.

IE_FILERS_POLITICALCOMMITTEE
Must non-party political committees that make independent expenditures file independent expenditure reports separate from their regular periodic reports? The answer choices are yes or no.

IE_FILERS_CORPORATION
Must corporations that make independent expenditures file independent expenditure reports? The answer choices are yes or no.

IE_FILERS_LABOR
Must labor organizations that make independent expenditures file independent expenditure reports? The answer choices are yes or no.

IE_FILERS_LOBBYST
Must lobbyists who make independent expenditures file independent expenditure reports? The answer choices are yes or no.

IE_FILERS_OTHERS
Must other entities that make independent expenditures file independent expenditure reports? The answer choices are yes or no.

IE_REPORT_EXEMPTION
Are independent expenditures smaller than a specified dollar amount exempt from the filing requirement? The answer choices are yes or no.

*IE_REPORT_EXEMPTION_AMOUNT
If yes, what is the minimum amount of aggregated expenditures that trigger disclosure?

IE_FILERS_OTHERS_INFO
Must others who make independent expenditures file reports providing information about the spending entity? The answer choices are yes or no.

IE_FILERS_OTHERS_DONORS
Must others who make independent expenditures report the source(s) of the spending entity's funds? The answer choices are yes or no.

*IE_TARGET
Must an IE report specify an IE's target (candidate or ballot proposition)? The answer choices are yes or no.

IE_TARGET_SUPPORTOPPOSE
Must an IE report specify whether the IE's supports or opposes its target? The answer choices are yes or no.
IE_REPORT_WHEN
How soon after an IE must a report be filed?

Electioneering Disclosure:
*ELXNRGCATEGORY
Are some forms of independent spending defined by another term in the law, with different definitions and requirements? The answer choices are yes or no.

ELXNRGTERM
If no, skip the rest of this section. If yes, what is the term used by the state to define this activity?

ELXNRG_FILERS_INDIV
Must individuals who make electioneering (etc.) expenditures file electioneering (etc.) expenditure reports? The answer choices are yes or no.

ELXNRG_FILERS_PARTY
Must political parties that make electioneering (etc.) expenditures file electioneering (etc.) expenditure reports separate from their regular periodic reports? The answer choices are yes or no.

ELXNRG_FILERS_POLITICALCOMMITTEE
Must non-party political committees that make electioneering (etc.) expenditures file electioneering (etc.) expenditure reports separate from their regular periodic reports? The answer choices are yes or no.

ELXNRG_FILERS_CORPORATE
Must corporations that make electioneering (etc.) expenditures file electioneering (etc.) expenditure reports? The answer choices are yes or no.

ELXNRG_FILERS_LABOR
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ELXNRG_FILERS_LOBBYST
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ELXNRG_FILERS_OTHERS
Must other entities that make electioneering (etc.) expenditures file electioneering (etc.) expenditure reports? The answer choices are yes or no.

ELXNRG_REPORT_EXEMPTION
Are electioneering (etc.) expenditures smaller than a specified dollar amount exempt from the filing requirement? The answer choices are yes or no.

ELXNRG_REPORT_EXEMPTION_AMOUNT
If yes, what is the minimum amount of aggregated expenditures that trigger disclosure?

ELXNRG_FILERS_OTHERS_INFO
Must others who make electioneering (etc.) expenditures file reports providing information about the spending entity? The answer choices are yes or no.

ELXNRG_FILERS_OTHERS_DONORS
Must others who make electioneering (etc.) expenditures report the source(s) of the spending entity's funds? The answer choices are yes or no.
ELXNRG_TARGET
Must an electioneering (etc.) report specify the target (candidate or ballot proposition)?
The answer choices are yes or no.

ELXNRG_TARGET_SUPPORTOPPOSE
Must an electioneering (etc.) report specify whether the expenditure supports or opposes its target? The answer choices are yes or no.

ELXNRG_REPORT_WHEN
How soon after an electioneering (etc.) expenditure must a report be filed?

OTHER DISCLOSURE AND DISCLAIMER REQUIREMENTS

INCIDENT-SPECIFIC DISCLOSURE
Do any other election-related financial transactions, such as transfers or contributions from one group to another group that makes independent expenditures or electioneering communications, trigger any disclosure requirement? The answer choices are yes or no.

INCIDENT-SPECIFIC DISCLOSURE_CITATION
Citation(s) to provision(s) in the then-current state code

INCIDENT-SPECIFIC DISCLOSURE_EXPLAIN
If yes, describe the relevant provision(s).

*SPONSORID
Must an ad's sponsors be identified within the body of any ad? The answer choices are yes or no.

SPONSORID_EXPLAINED
If yes, explain the requirements.

SPECIALSPONSORID
Are additional disclosures required for some categories of ads, such as for independent expenditures or electioneering? The answer choices are yes or no.

SPECIALSPONSORID_EXPLAINED
If yes, explain the requirements.

ADVERTISING
Are there any other disclosure or disclaimer provisions governing political advertising in the state? The answer choices are yes or no.

ADVERTISINGEXPLAIN
If yes, provide an explanation here (Examples: Requirement that the ad itself be deposited with a public authority; candidate "stand by your ad" provisions, etc.)

*DISCLOSETOSHAREHOLDERS
Does state law require corporate political expenditures to be disclosed to shareholders? The answer choices are yes or no.
6. PUBLIC FINANCING AND TAX CREDITS

PUBLICFUNDING_CITATION
Citation(s) to provision(s) the then-current state code covering public funding.

Public Financing for Candidates for the House of Representatives or Assembly:

PUBLICFUNDING_H
Does this state provide public financing for state House of Representative/Assembly candidates? The answer choices are yes or no.

*PUBLICFUNDING_H_TYPE
If yes, is it full public financing, partial grant, matching funds, voucher, mixed, or other?

PUBLICFUNDING_H_STATUS
If inoperative/suspended, explain.

PUBLICFUNDING_H EXPLAIN
If Mixed or Other: describe. If matching (or matching within a mixed system): What are the formulas and conditions?

PUBLIC FUNDING_H_QUALIFYING
What must a House candidate do -- how much raised from how many people of what description -- to qualify for public funding?

PUBLICFUNDING_H_SPENDLIMIT
Does the law require a participating candidate to adhere to a spending limit? The answer choices are yes or no.

PUBLICFUNDING_H_SPENDLIMIT_AMOUNT
How much was the spending limit for a House candidate for this election cycle (primary + general)?

PUBLICFUNDING_H_OTHERCONDITIONS
Does the law require a participating candidate to adhere to any other conditions? The answer choices are yes or no.

PUBLICFUNDING_H_OTHERCONDITIONS EXPLAINED
If yes, explain (For example: Lower contribution limit; Debates)

PUBLICFUNDING_H_TRIGGER
Does the law provide extra funds or change any other provisions of the law based on the spending or behavior of other candidates or groups? The answer choices are yes or no.

PUBLICFUNDING_H_TRIGGEREXPLAINED
If yes, explain.
PUBLICFUNDING_H_MAX
What is the maximum amount of public funding a House candidate may receive (including trigger funds if applicable)?

PUBLICFUNDING_H_SOLICITATION-BY-CAND_PARTY
Does the law prohibit candidates who accept public financing from soliciting funds for political party committees? The answer choices are yes or no.

PUBLICFUNDING_H_SOLICITATION-BY-CAND_NON-PARTY
Does the law prohibit candidates who accept public financing from soliciting funds for non-party political committees? The answer choices are yes or no.

Public Financing for Candidates for the Senate:

PUBLICFUNDING_S
Does this state provide public financing for state Senate candidates? The answer choices are yes or no.

*PUBLICFUNDING_S_TYPE
If yes, is it full public financing, partial grant, matching funds, voucher, mixed, or other?

PUBLICFUNDING_S_STATUS
If inoperative/suspended, explain.

PUBLICFUNDING_S_EXPLAIN
If Mixed or Other: describe. If matching (or matching within a mixed system): What are the formulas and conditions?

PUBLICFUNDING_S_QUALIFYING
What must a candidate do -- how much raised from how many people of what description -- to qualify for public funding?

PUBLICFUNDING_S_SPENDLIMIT
Does the law require a participating candidate to adhere to a spending limit? The answer choices are yes or no.

PUBLICFUNDING_S_SPENDLIMIT_AMOUNT
How much was the spending limit for a candidate for this election cycle (primary + general)?

PUBLICFUNDING_S_OTHERCONDITIONS
Does the law require a participating candidate to adhere to any other conditions? The answer choices are yes or no.

PUBLICFUNDING_S_OTHERCONDITIONS_EXPLAINED
If yes, explain (For example: Lower contribution limit; Debates)

PUBLICFUNDING_S_TRIGGER
Does the law provide extra funds or change any other provisions of the law based on the spending or behavior of other candidates or groups? The answer choices are yes or no.

PUBLICFUNDING_S_TRIGGEREXPLAINED
If yes, explain.

PUBLICFUNDING_S_MAX
What is the maximum amount of public funding a candidate may receive (including trigger funds if applicable)?
PUBLICFUNDING_S_SOLICITATION-BY-CAND_PARTY TEXT
Does the law prohibit candidates who accept public financing from soliciting funds for political party committees? The answer choices are yes or no.

PUBLICFUNDING_S_SOLICITATION-BY-CAND_NON-PARTY TEXT
Does the law prohibit candidates who accept public financing from soliciting funds for non-party political committees? The answer choices are yes or no.

Public Financing for Candidates for Governor:

PUBLICFUNDING_G TEXT
Does this state provide public financing for gubernatorial candidates? The answer choices are yes or no.

*PUBLICFUNDING_G_TYPE TEXT
If yes, is it full public financing, partial grant, matching funds, voucher, mixed, or other?

PUBLICFUNDING_G_STATUS MEMO
If inoperative/suspended, explain.

PUBLICFUNDING_G_EXPLAIN MEMO
If Mixed or Other: describe. If matching (or matching within a mixed system): What are the formulas and conditions?

PUBLICFUNDING_G_QUALIFYING MEMO
What must a candidate do -- how much raised from how many people of what description -- to qualify for public funding?

PUBLICFUNDING_G_SPENDLIMIT TEXT
Does the law require a participating candidate to adhere to a spending limit? The answer choices are yes or no.

PUBLICFUNDING_G_SPENDLIMIT_AMOUNT TEXT
How much was the spending limit for a candidate for this election cycle (primary + general)?

PUBLICFUNDING_G_OTHERCONDITIONS TEXT
Does the law require a participating candidate to adhere to any other conditions? The answer choices are yes or no.

PUBLICFUNDING_G_OTHERCONDITIONS_EXPLAINED MEMO
If yes, explain (For example: Lower contribution limit; Debates)

PUBLICFUNDING_G_TRIGGER TEXT
Does the law provide extra funds or change any other provisions of the law based on the spending or behavior of other candidates or groups? The answer choices are yes or no.

PUBLICFUNDING_G_TRIGGEREXPLAINED MEMO
If yes, explain.

PUBLICFUNDING_G_MAX TEXT
What is the maximum amount of public funding a candidate may receive (including trigger funds if applicable)?

PUBLICFUNDING_G_SOLICITATION-BY-CAND_PARTY TEXT
Does the law prohibit candidates who accept public financing from soliciting funds for political party committees? The answer choices are yes or no.
PUBLICFUNDING_G_SOLICITATION-BY-CAND_NON-PARTY

Does the law prohibit candidates who accept public financing from soliciting funds for non-party political committees? The answer choices are yes or no.

Public Financing for Candidates for Political Parties:

*PUBLICFUNDING_P

Does the state provide public funds to political parties? The answer choices are yes or no.

PUBLICFUNDING_P_STATUS

If inoperative/suspended, explain.

PUBLICFUNDING_P_ELIGIBILITY

What are the conditions for a party to be eligible to receive public funds? Top two parties only?

PUBLICFUNDING_P_FORMULA

What is the formula for distributing funds to a party? (Matching Fund Formula? Grant Formula?)

PUBLICFUNDING_P_TWOYRMAX

What is the maximum amount a party may receive in two years?

SOURCEOFFUNDS

Explains how the state supplies the money for Public Financing.

Tax Deductions, Tax Credits, and Refunds

*REFUNDORTAXCREDITORTAXDEDUCTION

Does the state provide a refund or tax credit or tax deduction for political contributions? None, Refund, Tax Credit, Tax Deduction.

REFUNDORTAXCREDITORTAXDEDUCTION_CITATION

Citation(s) to provision(s) in historical session laws and the current state code covering political contribution refunds, tax credits, or tax deductions. These may appear in the tax code.

REFUNDORTAXCREDITFORMULA

What is the formula for calculating the refund/credit/deduction (usually a full credit or 50%).

REFUNDORTAXCREDITMAX

What is the maximum credit/deduction a donor may claim per year?

ELIGIBLECONTRIBUTIONRECIPIENTS

Contributions to which recipients are eligible? All state candidates, all state and federal candidates, only those candidates who participate in public funding, political parties, PACs? Other? Specify all that apply.

ELIGIBLETOCLAIM_NOTAXOWED

May a person who owes no income tax receive a credit? The answer choices are yes or no.
ELIGIBLETOCLAIM_DEDUCTION TEXT
If a deduction, is it available to filers who do not itemize? The answer choices are yes or no.

ELIGIBLETOCLAIM_OTHER TEXT
Are there any other restrictions limiting who may apply for a credit/deduction? The answer choices are yes or no.

ELIGIBLETOCLAIM_OTHER_EXPLAINED MEMO
If yes, explain. Income cap? Residency requirement?

7. AGENCIES

The responsibilities for administering a state’s campaign finance laws often will fall to more than one agency. This section documents the agencies responsible for the subject areas covered in the preceding fields of this database.

AGENCY_DISCLOSURE TEXT
The agency or agencies receiving campaign finance reports and making them public.

AGENCY_DISCLOSURE_CITATION MEMO
Citation(s) to provision(s) in the then-current state code establishing the relevant agency.

AGENCY_ENFORCEMENT TEXT
The agency or agencies enforcing contribution limits and other regulations.

AGENCY_ENFORCEMENT_CITATION MEMO
Citation(s) to provision(s) in the then-current state code establishing the relevant agency.

AGENCY_PUBLICFINANCING TEXT
The agency or agencies responsible for public financing.

AGENCY_PUBLICFINANCING_CITATION MEMO
Citation(s) to provision(s) in the then-current state code establishing the relevant agency.

AGENCY_REFUNDCREDITDEDUCTION TEXT
Agency or agencies responsible for political contribution refunds, tax credits or tax deductions.

AGENCY_REFUNDCREDITDEDUCTION_CITATION MEMO
Citation(s) to provision(s) in the then-current state code establishing the relevant agency.

AGENCY_LOBBYING TEXT
Agencies with responsibility for lobbying disclosure.

AGENCY_LOBBYING_CITATION MEMO
Citation(s) to provision(s) in the then-current state code establishing the relevant agency.
Agency or agencies responsible for defining and enforcing contractor or "doing business" rules.

Citation(s) to provision(s) in the then-current state code establishing the relevant agency.

Agency or agencies responsible for personal financial disclosure and ethics rules and personal financial disclosure.

Citation(s) to provision(s) in the then-current state code establishing the relevant agency.

Any other agency or agencies responsible for items covered by the database (specify).

Citation(s) to provision(s) in the then-current state code establishing the relevant agency.
APPENDIX – Description of the Files

The full database zip file, available here, contains the following files. The data is broken up into tables by category. Contribution limits and disclosure have been divided into multiple tables based on sub-categories. Follow the links in the descriptions on the right to view the associated fields above.

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