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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1923

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING CAMPAIGN  
9 CONTRIBUTIONS; TO AMEND PORTIONS OF ARKANSAS LAW  
10 RESULTING FROM INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1990 AND INITIATED  
11 ACT 1 OF 1996; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

14 TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING CAMPAIGN  
15 CONTRIBUTIONS AND TO AMEND PORTIONS OF  
16 ARKANSAS LAW RESULTING FROM INITIATED  
17 ACTS.  
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 7-6-203(a) and (b), concerning campaign  
24 contributions and resulting from Initiated Act 1 of 1990 and Initiated Act 1  
25 of 1996, are amended to read as follows:

26 (a)(1)~~(A)~~ It ~~shall be~~ is unlawful for ~~any a~~ a candidate for ~~any~~ a public  
27 office, ~~except the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of~~  
28 ~~State, Treasurer of State, Auditor of State, Attorney General, and~~  
29 ~~Commissioner of State Lands,~~ or for ~~any a~~ a person acting on the candidate's  
30 behalf to:

31 (A) accept ~~Accept~~ a campaign ~~contributions~~ contribution  
32 from other than:

33 (i) An individual;

34 (ii) A political party that meets the definition of  
35 a political party under § 7-1-101;

36 (iii) A political party that meets the requirements



1 of § 7-7-205;

2 (iv) A county political party committee;

3 (v) A legislative caucus committee, or

4 (vi) An approved political action committee; or

5 (B) Accept a campaign contribution in excess of two  
 6 thousand dollars (\$2,000) per election from ~~any person;~~

7 (i) An individual;

8 (ii) A political party that meets the definition of  
 9 a political party under § 7-1-101;

10 (iii) A political party that meets the requirements  
 11 of § 7-7-205;

12 (iv) A county political party committee;

13 (v) A legislative caucus committee, or

14 (vi) An approved political action committee.

15 ~~(B)(2)~~ A candidate may accept a campaign contribution or  
 16 contributions up to the maximum amount from ~~any~~ a prospective contributor for  
 17 each election, whether opposed or unopposed.

18 ~~(2)(A)~~ ~~It shall be unlawful for any candidate for the office of~~  
 19 ~~Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Treasurer of State,~~  
 20 ~~Auditor of State, Attorney General, and Commissioner of State Lands, or for~~  
 21 ~~any person acting on the candidate's behalf to accept campaign contributions~~  
 22 ~~in excess of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) per election from any person.~~

23 ~~(B)~~ ~~A candidate may accept a campaign contribution or~~  
 24 ~~contributions up to the maximum amount from any prospective contributor for~~  
 25 ~~each election, whether opposed or unopposed.~~

26 (b)(1)~~(A)~~ It shall be is unlawful for ~~any person~~ an individual, a  
 27 political party that meets the definition of a political party under § 7-1-  
 28 101, a political party that meets the requirements of § 7-7-205, a county  
 29 political party committee, a legislative caucus committee, or an approved  
 30 political action committee to make a contribution to a candidate for ~~any~~  
 31 public office, ~~except the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary~~  
 32 ~~of State, Treasurer of State, Auditor of State, Attorney General, and~~  
 33 ~~Commissioner of State Lands,~~ or to ~~any~~ a person acting on the candidate's  
 34 behalf, ~~which~~ that in the aggregate exceeds two thousand dollars (\$2,000) per  
 35 election.

36 ~~(B)(2)~~ ~~A person~~ The following entities may make a contribution

1 or contributions up to the maximum amount to a candidate, whether opposed or  
 2 unopposed, for each election, ~~whether opposed or unopposed;~~

3 (A) An individual;

4 (B) A political party that meets the definition of a  
 5 political party under § 7-1-101;

6 (C) A political party that meets the requirements of § 7-  
 7 2-205;

8 (D) A county political party;

9 (E) A legislative caucus committee; or

10 (F) An approved political action committee.

11 ~~(2)(A) It shall be unlawful for any person to make a~~  
 12 ~~contribution to a candidate for the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor,~~  
 13 ~~Secretary of State, Treasurer of State, Auditor of State, Attorney General,~~  
 14 ~~and Commissioner of State Lands, or to any person acting on the candidate's~~  
 15 ~~behalf, which in the aggregate exceeds two thousand dollars (\$2,000) per~~  
 16 ~~election.~~

17 ~~(B) A person may make a contribution or contributions up~~  
 18 ~~to the maximum amount to a candidate for each election, whether opposed or~~  
 19 ~~unopposed.~~

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