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A Bill

SENATE BILL 383

5 By: Senator C. Tucker
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO AMEND CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION AMOUNTS; TO
9 AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CAMPAIGN PRACTICES; TO
10 REQUIRE THE ARKANSAS ETHICS COMMISSION TO PROMULGATE
11 RULES; TO AMEND PORTIONS OF THE LAW RESULTING FROM
12 INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1990 AND INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1996;
13 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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18 PRACTICES; AND TO REQUIRE THE ARKANSAS
19 ETHICS COMMISSION TO PROMULGATE RULES.
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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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25 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 7-6-203(a)(1)(A), resulting from Initiated
26 Act 1 of 1990 and Initiated Act 1 of 1996, concerning campaign finance
27 contributions, limitations, acceptance or solicitation, use as personal
28 income, and disposition, is amended to read as follows:

29 (a)(1)(A) It shall be unlawful for any candidate for any public office
30 or for any person acting on the candidate's behalf to accept campaign
31 contributions in excess of ~~two thousand seven hundred dollars (\$2,700)~~ the
32 maximum campaign contribution level established by rule of the Arkansas
33 Ethics Commission under subsection (i) of this section per election from:

34 (i) An individual;

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



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

3 (iv) A county political party committee;

4 (v) A legislative caucus committee; or

5 (vi) An approved political action committee.
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7 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 7-6-203(b)(1), resulting from Initiated Act
8 1 of 1990 and Initiated Act 1 of 1996, concerning campaign finance
9 contributions, limitations, acceptance or solicitation, use as personal
10 income, and disposition, is amended to read as follows:

11 (b)(1) It shall be unlawful for any person to make a contribution to a
12 candidate for any public office or to any person acting on the candidate's
13 behalf, which in the aggregate exceeds ~~two thousand seven hundred dollars~~
14 ~~(\$2,700)~~ the maximum campaign contribution level established by rule of the
15 Arkansas Ethics Commission per election.
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17 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 7-6-203(i), resulting from Initiated Act 1
18 of 1990 and Initiated Act 1 of 1996, concerning campaign finance
19 contributions, limitations, acceptance or solicitation, use as personal
20 income, and disposition, is amended to read as follows:

21 (i) The Arkansas Ethics Commission shall establish the maximum
22 campaign contribution limit by rule as follows:

23 (1) The adjusted campaign contribution limit shall be calculated
24 from a base amount of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) as of January 1, 2015;

25 ~~(1)(2)~~ The contribution limits under subdivision (a)(1)(A) and
26 subdivision (b)(1) of this section shall be adjusted at the beginning of each
27 odd-numbered year in an amount equal to the percentage certified to the
28 Federal Election Commission by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics
29 under 52 U.S.C. § 30116(c) as existing on January 1, 2015;

30 ~~(2)(3)~~ If the amount after adjustment under subdivision
31 ~~(i)(1)(i)(2)~~ of this section is not a multiple of one hundred dollars (\$100),
32 the Arkansas Ethics Commission shall round the amount to the nearest multiple
33 of one hundred dollars (\$100); and

34 ~~(3)(4)~~ The Arkansas Ethics Commission shall promulgate rules
35 identifying the adjusted contribution limit under subdivision (i)(1) of this
36 section this subsection.

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