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AN ACT

To repeal section 130.032, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to monetary contributions to campaigns.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 130.032, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 130.032, to read as follows:

130.032. 1. [Monetary contributions shall not be made from any political party committee as defined in subdivision (25) of section 130.011 to any candidate committee, continuing committee, or political party committee. Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit any candidate committee from making contributions to any other committee.

2. Any candidate for the office of state representative, the office of state senator, or a statewide elected office shall not accept any contributions from the first Wednesday after the first Monday in January through the first Friday after the second Monday of May of each year at 6:00 p.m. Only candidates for special election to the house of representatives, senate, or statewide elected office may, during such time, accept contributions from the date of the candidate's nomination by his or her respective political party until thirty days after the date of the election.]

In addition to the limitations imposed in section 130.031, the amount of contributions made by or accepted from any person other than the candidate in any one election shall not exceed the following:

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

14 (1) To elect an individual to the office of governor, lieutenant governor, secretary
15 of state, state treasurer, state auditor or attorney general, one thousand two hundred
16 seventy-five dollars;

17 (2) To elect an individual to the office of state senator, six hundred fifty dollars;

18 (3) To elect an individual to the office of state representative, three hundred twenty-
19 five dollars;

20 (4) To elect an individual to any other office, including judicial office, if the
21 population of the electoral district, ward, or other unit according to the latest decennial
22 census is under one hundred thousand, three hundred twenty-five dollars;

23 (5) To elect an individual to any other office, including judicial office, if the
24 population of the electoral district, ward, or other unit according to the latest decennial
25 census is at least one hundred thousand but less than two hundred fifty thousand, six
26 hundred fifty dollars; and

27 (6) To elect an individual to any other office, including judicial office, if the
28 population of the electoral district, ward, or other unit according to the latest decennial
29 census is at least two hundred fifty thousand, one thousand two hundred seventy-five
30 dollars.

31 2. For purposes of this subsection "base year amount" shall be the contribution
32 limits prescribed in this section on August 28, 2007. Such limits shall be increased on the
33 first day of January in each even-numbered year by multiplying the base year amount by
34 the cumulative consumer price index, as defined in section 104.010, RSMo, and rounded
35 to the nearest twenty-five-dollar amount, for all years beginning after August 28, 2007.

36 3. Candidate committees, exploratory committees, campaign committees, and
37 continuing committees, other than those continuing committees which are political party
38 committees, shall be subject to the limits prescribed in subsection 1 of this section. The
39 provisions of this subsection shall not limit the amount of contributions which may be
40 accumulated by a candidate committee and used for expenditures to further the
41 nomination or election of the candidate who controls such candidate committee.

42 4. Except as limited by this subsection, the amount of cash contributions, and a
43 separate amount for the amount of in-kind contributions, made by or accepted from a
44 political party committee in any one election shall not exceed the following:

45 (1) To elect an individual to the office of governor, lieutenant governor, secretary
46 of state, state treasurer, state auditor or attorney general, twelve thousand seven hundred
47 fifty dollars;

48 (2) To elect an individual to the office of state senator, six thousand four hundred
49 dollars;

50 **(3) To elect an individual to the office of state representative, three thousand two**
51 **hundred dollars; and**

52 **(4) To elect an individual to any other office of an electoral district, ward or unit,**
53 **ten times the allowable contribution limit for the office sought.**

54 **5. Contributions from persons under fourteen years of age shall be considered**
55 **made by the parents or guardians of such person and shall be attributed toward any**
56 **contribution limits prescribed in this chapter. Where the contributor under fourteen years**
57 **of age has two custodial parents or guardians, fifty percent of the contribution shall be**
58 **attributed to each parent or guardian, and where such contributor has one custodial**
59 **parent or guardian, all such contributions shall be attributed to the custodial parent or**
60 **guardian.**

61 **6. Any committee which accepts or gives contributions other than those allowed**
62 **shall be subject to a surcharge of one thousand dollars plus an amount equal to the**
63 **contribution per nonallowable contribution. The candidate shall have ten business days**
64 **after receipt of notice of such nonallowable contribution by the ethics commission to return**
65 **the contribution to the contributor. If the contribution is not returned in such ten day time**
66 **period, the surcharge shall be paid to the ethics commission, and shall be transferred to the**
67 **director of revenue. The candidate and the candidate committee treasurer or deputy**
68 **treasurer owing a surcharge shall be personally liable for the payment of the surcharge,**
69 **or may pay such surcharge only from campaign funds existing on the date of the receipt**
70 **of notice. Such surcharge shall constitute a debt to the state enforceable under, but not**
71 **limited to, the provisions of chapter 143, RSMo.**

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