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AN ACT

To amend chapter 130, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to campaign contributions.

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

Section A. Chapter 130, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 130.032, to read as follows:

130.032. 1. In addition to the limitations imposed under 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:

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

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

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

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

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

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.

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

21 2. For purposes of this subsection, "base year amount" shall be the contribution
22 limits prescribed in this section on January 1, 2010. Such limits shall be increased on the
23 first day of January in each even-numbered year by multiplying the base year amount by
24 the cumulative consumer price index, as defined in section 104.010, RSMo, and rounded
25 to the nearest twenty-five-dollar amount, for all years since January 1, 2010.

26 3. Every committee established under this chapter shall be subject to the limits
27 prescribed in subsection 1 of this section. The provisions of this subsection shall not limit
28 the amount of contributions that may be accumulated by a candidate committee and used
29 for expenditures to further the nomination or election of the candidate who controls such
30 candidate committee.

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

34 (1) To elect an individual to the office of governor, lieutenant governor, secretary
35 of state, state treasurer, state auditor or attorney general, ten thousand dollars;

36 (2) To elect an individual to the office of state senator, five thousand dollars;

37 (3) To elect an individual to the office of state representative, two thousand five
38 hundred dollars; and

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

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42 The amount of contributions that may be made by or accepted from a political party
43 committee in the primary election to elect any candidate who is unopposed in such primary
44 shall be fifty percent of the amount of the allowable contributions as determined in this
45 subsection.

46 5. Contributions from persons under fourteen years of age shall be considered
47 made by the parents or guardians of such person and shall be attributed toward any
48 contribution limits prescribed in this chapter. Where the contributor under fourteen years
49 of age has two custodial parents or guardians, fifty percent of the contribution shall be
50 attributed to each parent or guardian, and where such contributor has one custodial
51 parent or guardian, all such contributions shall be attributed to the custodial parent or
52 guardian.

53 **6. Contributions received and expenditures made before January 1, 2010, shall be**
54 **reported as a separate account and under the laws in effect at the time such contributions**
55 **are received or expenditures made. Contributions received and expenditures made after**
56 **January 1, 2010, shall be reported under the provisions of this chapter as a separate**
57 **account from the other separate account described in this subsection. The account**
58 **reported under the prior law shall be retained as a separate account and any remaining**
59 **funds in such account may be used under this chapter.**

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

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