

# Senate Bill 1526

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## SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Establishes limits on campaign contributions that may be accepted by candidates and political committees.

Requires political committee to identify as caucus, measure, multicandidate, political party, recall or small donor political committee. Prohibits person from controlling more than one of each committee.

Authorizes Secretary of State and Attorney General to require return of contribution excess of limits and impose civil penalty up to 150 percent of total amount of contribution.

Establishes Small Donor Elections Program to enable candidates for office of state Representative and state Senator to receive 6-to-1 match on small dollar donations. Limits matching funds.

Allows resident taxpayers to designate contribution to Small Donor Elections Fund on income tax return form.

Directs most election law penalties to Small Donor Elections Fund.

Repeals Ballot Measure 47 (2006), currently held in abeyance, which establishes limits on political campaign contributions and independent expenditures on candidate races and establishes certain campaign finance disclosure requirements.

Becomes operative November 6, 2024.

Refers Act to people for approval or rejection at next general election.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

1  
2 Relating to campaign finance; creating new provisions; amending ORS 260.042, 260.266, 260.995,  
3 305.754 and 305.796; repealing chapter 3, Oregon Laws 2007; and providing that this Act shall  
4 be referred to the people for their approval or rejection.

5 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

6 **SECTION 1. Sections 2 to 4 of this 2022 Act are added to and made a part of ORS chapter**  
7 **260.**

8 **SECTION 2. As used in sections 2 to 4 of this 2022 Act:**

9 (1) **“Caucus political committee,” “major political party,” “measure political**  
10 **committee,” “minor political party,” “multicandidate political committee,” “political party**  
11 **committee” and “recall political committee” have the meanings given those terms in ORS**  
12 **260.042.**

13 (2) **“Election cycle” means the period starting on the day after the date of a general**  
14 **election and ending on the date of the next general election.**

15 (3) **“Local provision” means a charter provision, ordinance, resolution or other provision**  
16 **adopted by a city, county or other local government.**

17 (4) **“Membership organization” means an organization that:**

18 (a) **Is tax-exempt under section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code;**

19 (b) **Is not formed or operated for the purpose of conducting or promoting commercial**  
20 **enterprise; and**

21 (c) **Is composed of individual members who:**

**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 (A) Have taken action to join the organization; and

2 (B) For each year of membership, on an annual or more frequent basis, either pay mon-  
 3 etary membership dues, make a monetary donation or volunteer time as a condition of  
 4 maintaining membership in the organization.

5 (5) “Small donor political committee” means a political committee that:

6 (a) Registers as a small donor political committee under ORS 260.042;

7 (b) Prior to registering as a small donor political committee has not accepted a contri-  
 8 bution:

9 (A) From a person other than an individual; or

10 (B) In excess of the contribution limits for small donor political committees set forth in  
 11 section 4 of this 2022 Act; and

12 (c) While operating as a small donor political committee, complies with the restrictions  
 13 on receiving contributions set forth in section 4 of this 2022 Act.

14 (6) “State office,” notwithstanding ORS 260.005, means the office of Governor, Secretary  
 15 of State, State Treasurer, Attorney General, Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and In-  
 16 dustries, state Senator, state Representative, judge of the Supreme Court, judge of the Court  
 17 of Appeals or circuit court judge.

18 **SECTION 3.** (1)(a) A candidate for state office or the principal campaign committee of a  
 19 candidate for state office may accept contributions only from the sources and in the amounts  
 20 described in this section.

21 (b) Except as otherwise provided by a local provision or paragraph (c) of this subsection,  
 22 the limits on aggregate contributions that may be accepted by a candidate or the principal  
 23 campaign committee of a candidate for the office of state Representative under this section  
 24 also apply to a candidate or the principal campaign committee of a candidate for any elected  
 25 office that is not a state office.

26 (c) Notwithstanding any local provision, a candidate or the principal campaign committee  
 27 of a candidate for any elected office that is not a state office may accept unlimited contri-  
 28 butions from a small donor political committee.

29 (2)(a) A candidate or the principal campaign committee of a candidate for the office of  
 30 state Representative may not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$\_\_\_\_ per election  
 31 from an individual, a multicandidate political committee or the principal campaign committee  
 32 of a candidate.

33 (b) A candidate or the principal campaign committee of a candidate for the office of state  
 34 Senator or circuit court judge may not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$\_\_\_\_  
 35 per election from an individual, a multicandidate political committee or the principal cam-  
 36 paign committee of a candidate.

37 (c) A candidate or the principal campaign committee of a candidate for a state office not  
 38 described in paragraph (a) or (b) of this subsection may not accept aggregate contributions  
 39 in excess of \$\_\_\_\_ per election from an individual, a multicandidate political committee or  
 40 the principal campaign committee of a candidate.

41 (d) A candidate or the principal campaign committee of a candidate for state office may  
 42 not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$\_\_\_\_ from a caucus political committee, a  
 43 political party committee or a small donor political committee.

44 (3)(a) A political committee may make a contribution to a candidate for state office or  
 45 the principal campaign committee of a candidate for state office only if the political com-

1 mittee is registered with the Secretary of State as a caucus political committee, a multi-  
2 candidate political committee, a political party committee, the principal campaign committee  
3 of a candidate or a small donor political committee.

4 (b) A measure political committee or a recall political committee may not make a con-  
5 tribution to a candidate or the principal campaign committee of a candidate for a state office.

6 (4) Nothing in this section limits the amount a candidate may contribute from the  
7 candidate's personal funds to the candidate or the principal campaign committee of the  
8 candidate.

9 (5)(a) For purposes of this section, a separate election exists in each instance in which  
10 an individual:

11 (A) Is a candidate for nomination to a state office by a major political party or a minor  
12 political party;

13 (B) Is a candidate for nomination to a state office by an assembly of electors under ORS  
14 249.735 or by individual electors under ORS 249.740;

15 (C) Is a candidate for nomination to a nonpartisan state office;

16 (D) Will appear on a general election ballot or a special election ballot as a candidate for  
17 state office;

18 (E) Is a write-in candidate for state office at a primary election, general election or  
19 special election who has established a principal campaign committee; or

20 (F) Will appear on a recall election ballot as the incumbent holder of a state office.

21 (b) Notwithstanding subsection (2) of this section, during each election cycle:

22 (A) A candidate or the principal campaign committee of a candidate for state office who  
23 has not qualified to appear on the general election ballot may accept contributions for only  
24 one election plus any additional elections in which the candidate meets the requirements  
25 described in paragraph (a)(F) of this subsection;

26 (B) A candidate or the principal campaign committee of a candidate for state office who  
27 will appear on the general election ballot may accept contributions for only two elections plus  
28 any additional elections in which the candidate meets the requirements described in para-  
29 graph (a)(F) of this subsection; and

30 (C) An individual may not accept contributions for more than two elections in which the  
31 individual is a candidate for nomination or election to a particular state office.

32 (6)(a) For purposes of the contribution limits established in this section, contributions  
33 made or received by multiple political committees are considered to be made or received by  
34 a single political committee if:

35 (A) The political committees have filed to operate as the same type of political committee  
36 under ORS 260.042; and

37 (B) The political committees are established, financed, maintained or controlled by the  
38 same person or substantially the same group of persons, including any parent, subsidiary,  
39 branch, division, department or local unit of the person or group of persons.

40 (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) of this subsection, having the same individual acting  
41 as the treasurer of two or more political committees is not by itself sufficient to consider  
42 contributions made by the political committees to be contributions made or received by a  
43 single political committee.

44 (7) Prior to the start of each election cycle, the Secretary of State shall adjust the dollar  
45 amounts set forth in this section by the cumulative change in the Consumer Price Index for

1 All Urban Consumers, West Region (All Items), as published by the Bureau of Labor Statis-  
 2 tics of the United States Department of Labor, or its successor, since the previous election  
 3 cycle. The adjustments performed under this subsection shall be rounded to the nearest \$10  
 4 increment.

5 (8) The Secretary of State may adopt rules necessary to implement this section.

6 **SECTION 4.** (1) A political committee other than the principal campaign committee of a  
 7 candidate may accept contributions only from the sources and in the amounts described in  
 8 this section.

9 (2) A caucus political committee:

10 (a) May not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$\_\_\_\_ per calendar year from  
 11 an individual or a multicandidate political committee; and

12 (b) May not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$\_\_\_\_ per calendar year from  
 13 the principal campaign committee of a candidate, a political party committee, a caucus poli-  
 14 tical committee or the candidate committee of a candidate for federal office.

15 (3) A political party committee:

16 (a) May not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$\_\_\_\_ per calendar year from  
 17 an individual, a multicandidate political committee or a caucus political committee; and

18 (b) May not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$\_\_\_\_ per calendar year from  
 19 the principal campaign committee of a candidate, a political party committee or the candi-  
 20 date committee of a candidate to represent this state, or a district of this state, as a United  
 21 States Senator or a Representative in Congress.

22 (4) A multicandidate political committee may not accept aggregate contributions in ex-  
 23 cess of \$\_\_\_\_ per calendar year from an individual, the principal campaign committee of a  
 24 candidate, a multicandidate committee, a political party committee or a caucus political  
 25 committee.

26 (5)(a) A measure political committee or a recall political committee may accept unlimited  
 27 contributions from any person, including any other political committee.

28 (b) A measure political committee may not make a contribution to a caucus political  
 29 committee, a multicandidate committee, a political party committee, a small donor political  
 30 committee or a recall political committee.

31 (c) A recall political committee may not make a contribution to a caucus political com-  
 32 mittee, a multicandidate committee, a political party committee, a small donor political  
 33 committee or a measure political committee.

34 (6)(a) During a calendar year, a small donor political committee may accept contributions  
 35 from:

36 (A) Individuals, in an aggregate amount of no more than \$\_\_\_\_ per individual.

37 (B) Membership organizations, in an amount that does not exceed \$\_\_\_\_.

38 (C) Small donor political committees, in an aggregate amount of no more than \$\_\_\_\_.

39 (b) A membership organization may make contributions to one or more small donor pol-  
 40 itical committees. The aggregate total contributions, including in-kind contributions, that a  
 41 membership organization may make to small donor political committees may not exceed \_\_\_\_  
 42 percent of each individual member's membership dues or the aggregate total of each indi-  
 43 vidual member's donations that were received by the membership organization during the  
 44 previous 12 months, with a limit of \$\_\_\_\_ from the dues or donations paid by each individual  
 45 member per calendar year.

1 (7)(a) A person may not control more than one of each of the following types of com-  
2 mittee at one time:

- 3 (A) Principal campaign committee.
- 4 (B) Caucus political committee.
- 5 (C) Measure political committee.
- 6 (D) Multicandidate political committee.
- 7 (E) Political party committee.
- 8 (F) Recall political committee.
- 9 (G) Small donor political committee.

10 (b) For the purpose of the contribution limits established in this section, contributions  
11 made or received by multiple political committees are considered to be made or received by  
12 a single political committee if:

13 (A) The political committees have filed to operate as the same type of political committee  
14 under ORS 260.042; and

15 (B) The political committees are established, financed, maintained or controlled by the  
16 same person or substantially the same group of persons, including any parent, subsidiary,  
17 branch, division, department or local unit of such person or group of persons.

18 (c) Notwithstanding paragraph (b) of this subsection, having the same individual acting  
19 as the treasurer of two or more political committees is not by itself sufficient to consider  
20 contributions made by the political committees to be contributions made or received by a  
21 single political committee.

22 (8) Prior to the start of each election cycle, the Secretary of State shall adjust the dollar  
23 amounts set forth in this section by the cumulative change in the Consumer Price Index for  
24 All Urban Consumers, West Region (All Items), as published by the Bureau of Labor Statis-  
25 tics of the United States Department of Labor, or its successor, since the previous election  
26 cycle. The adjustments performed under this subsection shall be rounded to the nearest \$10  
27 increment.

28 (9) The Secretary of State may adopt rules necessary to implement this section.

29 **SECTION 5.** ORS 260.995 is amended to read:

30 260.995. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) **or** (3) of this section, following an investigation  
31 under ORS 260.345, the Secretary of State or Attorney General may impose a civil penalty not to  
32 exceed \$1,000 for each violation of any provision of Oregon Revised Statutes relating to the conduct  
33 of any election, any rule adopted by the secretary under ORS chapters 246 to 260 or any other  
34 matter preliminary to or relating to an election, for which a civil penalty is not otherwise provided.

35 (2) The secretary or the Attorney General may impose a civil penalty not to exceed:

36 (a)(A) Except as provided in subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, \$1,000 plus the amount con-  
37 verted to personal use for each violation of ORS 260.407; **or**

38 (B) Two times the amount of the penalty provision for violating a nondisclosure agreement that  
39 is contained within each nondisclosure agreement entered into in violation of ORS 260.407 or  
40 260.413;

41 (b) 150 percent of the total cost of printing, transmitting or distributing a communication in  
42 support of or in opposition to a clearly identified candidate if the disclosure requirements set forth  
43 in ORS 260.266 are not met; or

44 (c) \$10,000 for each violation of ORS 260.555, 260.558, 260.575, 260.695 (1) or (2) or 260.715 (1)  
45 or Article IV, section 1b, of the Oregon Constitution.

1       **(3)(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection, for each instance in which**  
 2 **a political committee or a candidate for state office or the principal campaign committee of**  
 3 **a candidate for state office accepts a contribution in excess of the limits established in sec-**  
 4 **tion 3 or 4 of this 2022 Act, the secretary or Attorney General:**

5       **(A) Shall require the candidate or committee to return all moneys accepted in excess of**  
 6 **the applicable contribution limit to the person that made the nonconforming contribution;**  
 7 **and**

8       **(B) May impose a civil penalty in the form of a fine not to exceed 150 percent of the total**  
 9 **amount of the contribution accepted that resulted in a violation of the contribution limits**  
 10 **established in section 3 or 4 of this 2022 Act.**

11       **(b)(A) The secretary or Attorney General may not impose a civil penalty on a political**  
 12 **committee or a candidate for state office or the principal campaign committee of a candidate**  
 13 **for state office for receiving contributions in excess of the contribution limits established in**  
 14 **section 3 or 4 of this 2022 Act if, within 10 business days of receiving the nonconforming**  
 15 **contribution, the candidate or committee:**

16       **(i) Refuses to accept and returns the contribution; or**

17       **(ii) Returns all moneys included in the contribution that are in excess of the contribution**  
 18 **limits established in section 3 or 4 of this 2022 Act.**

19       **(B) If a political committee or a candidate for state office or the principal campaign**  
 20 **committee of a candidate for state office is unable to return all or part of a nonconforming**  
 21 **contribution to the person that made the contribution, the return of all or part of a contri-**  
 22 **bution under this paragraph may be satisfied by donating the moneys described in subpara-**  
 23 **graph (A) of this paragraph to an organization recognized as tax exempt under section**  
 24 **501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.**

25       **[(3)] (4) Except as otherwise provided by this section, civil penalties under this section shall be**  
 26 **imposed as provided in ORS 183.745. In addition to the requirements of ORS 183.745, the notice shall**  
 27 **include:**

28       **(a) A statement of the authority and jurisdiction under which the hearing is to be held; and**

29       **(b) If the person is an agency, corporation or an unincorporated association, a statement that**  
 30 **such person must be represented by an attorney licensed in Oregon, unless the person is a political**  
 31 **committee which may be represented by any officer identified in the most recent statement of or-**  
 32 **ganization filed with the filing officer.**

33       **[(4)] (5) A hearing on whether to impose a civil penalty and to consider circumstances in miti-**  
 34 **gation shall be held by the secretary or Attorney General:**

35       **(a) Upon request of the person against whom the penalty may be assessed, if the request is made**  
 36 **not later than the 20th day after the service date on the notice sent under subsection [(3)] (4) of this**  
 37 **section; or**

38       **(b) Upon the secretary's or Attorney General's own motion.**

39       **[(5)] (6) The person against whom a penalty may be assessed need not appear in person at a**  
 40 **hearing held under this section, but instead may submit written testimony or other evidence, sworn**  
 41 **to before a notary public, to the secretary or Attorney General for entry in the hearing record. The**  
 42 **testimony or other evidence must be received by the secretary or Attorney General not later than**  
 43 **three business days before the day of the hearing and may be submitted electronically.**

44       **[(6)] (7) All hearings under this section shall be held not later than 45 days after the deadline**  
 45 **for the person against whom the penalty may be assessed to request a hearing. However, if re-**

1 requested by the person against whom the penalty may be assessed, a hearing under subsection [(4)]  
 2 (5) of this section shall be held not later than 60 days after the deadline for the person against  
 3 whom the penalty may be assessed to request a hearing.

4 [(7)] (8) The secretary or Attorney General shall issue an order not later than 90 days after a  
 5 hearing or after the deadline for requesting a hearing if no hearing is held.

6 [(8)] (9) All penalties recovered under this section shall be paid into the **Small Donor Elections**  
 7 **Fund established in section 12 of this 2022 Act** [*State Treasury and credited to the General*  
 8 *Fund*].

9 [(9)] (10) In the case of a civil penalty imposed under this section for a violation of ORS 260.407,  
 10 the person against whom the penalty is assessed:

11 (a) Is personally responsible for the payment of the civil penalty;

12 (b) Shall pay the civil penalty from personal funds of the person; and

13 (c) May not pay the civil penalty from contributions received by a candidate, a candidate's  
 14 principal campaign committee, a political committee or a petition committee.

15 **SECTION 6.** ORS 260.042 is amended to read:

16 260.042. (1) The treasurer of a political committee shall file a statement of organization with the  
 17 filing officer. The statement must include:

18 (a) The name[,] **and** address [*and nature*] of the committee. The address must be the address  
 19 of a residence, office, headquarters or similar location where the political committee or a responsi-  
 20 ble officer of the political committee may be conveniently located.

21 (b) The name, address and occupation of the committee director or directors.

22 (c) The name and address of the committee treasurer.

23 (d) The name and address of any other political committee of which two or more committee di-  
 24 rectors are also directors of the committee filing the statement.

25 (e)(A) **Whether the political committee will operate as a caucus political committee, a**  
 26 **measure political committee, a multicandidate political committee, a political party commit-**  
 27 **tee, a recall political committee or a small donor political committee.**

28 (B) **A major political party or minor political party may not establish more than one**  
 29 **political party committee.**

30 (C) **A major political party or minor political party may not establish more than one**  
 31 **caucus political committee in the Senate and one caucus political committee in the House**  
 32 **of Representatives.**

33 (D) **A recall political committee may be formed only after a recall election is certified to**  
 34 **the ballot.**

35 [(e)] (f) The name, office sought, and party affiliation of each candidate whom the committee is  
 36 supporting or specifically opposing or intends to support or specifically oppose, when known, or,  
 37 if the committee is supporting or specifically opposing all the candidates of a given party, the name  
 38 of that party.

39 [(f)] (g) A designation of any measure that the committee is opposing or supporting, or intends  
 40 to support or oppose. **Only a political committee that operates as a measure political com-**  
 41 **mittee may use amounts received as contributions to support or oppose one or more meas-**  
 42 **ures.**

43 [(g)] (h) A statement of whether the committee is a controlled committee.

44 (2) In addition to the information listed in subsection (1) of this section, the statement of or-  
 45 ganization must include, or be amended within five business days to include, the name of the finan-

1 cial institution in which the campaign account required under ORS 260.054 is established, the name  
 2 of the account, the name of the account holder and the names of all individuals who have signature  
 3 authority for the account. The Secretary of State may not disclose information received by the sec-  
 4 retary under this subsection except as necessary for purposes of enforcing the provisions of ORS  
 5 chapters 246 to 260.

6 (3) A treasurer may designate an individual to receive any notice provided by a filing officer  
 7 under ORS chapters 246 to 260. The treasurer shall include the name and address of the individual  
 8 in a statement of organization filed under this section. A filing officer who provides any notice under  
 9 ORS chapters 246 to 260 to the treasurer of the political committee shall also provide the notice to  
 10 the individual designated by the treasurer under this subsection.

11 (4) A treasurer may designate an elector of this state to be liable for any civil penalty imposed  
 12 under ORS 260.232. The treasurer shall include the name and address of any elector designated un-  
 13 der this subsection in a statement of organization filed under this section.

14 (5) The statement of organization must be filed not later than the date specified in ORS 260.035.

15 (6) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, any change in information submitted in  
 16 a statement of organization under subsections (1) and (2) of this section must be indicated in an  
 17 amended statement of organization filed not later than the 10th day after the change in information.

18 (7) This section does not apply to a political committee that is a principal campaign committee  
 19 or to a political committee exclusively supporting or opposing one or more candidates for federal  
 20 or political party office.

21 **(8) As used in this section:**

22 **(a) "Caucus political committee" means a political committee:**

23 **(A) Established by the caucus of a major political party or a minor political party in the**  
 24 **Senate or the House of Representatives;**

25 **(B) Established under rules or bylaws created by the caucus by which it was established;**  
 26 **and**

27 **(C) Controlled by an elected leader of the caucus by which it was established.**

28 **(b) "Major political party" means a political party that has qualified as a major political**  
 29 **party under ORS 248.006.**

30 **(c) "Measure political committee" means a political committee that supports or opposes**  
 31 **one or more measures.**

32 **(d) "Minor political party" means a political party that has qualified as a minor political**  
 33 **party under ORS 248.008.**

34 **(e) "Multicandidate political committee" means a political committee that supports or**  
 35 **opposes:**

36 **(A) One or more candidates; or**

37 **(B) All candidates affiliated with a major political party or a minor political party.**

38 **(f) "Political party committee" is a political committee that, on a statewide basis:**

39 **(A) Supports or opposes one or more candidates; and**

40 **(B)(i) Represents a major political party or a minor political party; or**

41 **(ii) Is established under the bylaws of a major political party or a minor political party.**

42 **(g) "Recall political committee" means a political committee that supports or opposes a**  
 43 **person subject to a recall election.**

44 **(h) "Small donor political committee" has the meaning given that term in section 2 of**  
 45 **this 2022 Act.**



1       **SECTION 7.** Sections 8 to 13 of this 2022 Act are added to and made a part of ORS  
2 chapter 260.

3       **SECTION 8.** As used in sections 8 to 13 of this 2022 Act:

4       (1) “Election cycle” has the meaning given that term in section 2 of this 2022 Act.

5       (2)(a) Except as provided in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this subsection, “maximum public  
6 match” means the receipt by a candidate for the office of state Senator or state Represen-  
7 tative from the Small Donor Elections Fund of an amount of moneys equal to the amount  
8 set forth in section 13 of this 2022 Act.

9       (b)(A) For a candidate for the office of state Senator or state Representative who is  
10 running unopposed in the primary election, “maximum public match” means a candidate’s  
11 receipt from the Small Donor Elections Fund of five percent of the amount set forth in  
12 paragraph (a) of this subsection during the period ending on the date of the primary election  
13 and:

14       (i) If the candidate is running unopposed in the general election, five percent of the  
15 amount set forth in paragraph (a) of this subsection during the period beginning on the day  
16 after the date of the primary election and ending on the date of the general election; or

17       (ii) If the candidate is not running unopposed in the general election, the total amount  
18 of moneys remaining from the amount set forth in paragraph (a) of this subsection after the  
19 date of the primary election.

20       (B) For a candidate for the office of state Senator or state Representative who is running  
21 unopposed in the general election, “maximum public match” means a candidate’s receipt  
22 from the Small Donor Elections Fund of five percent of the amount set forth in paragraph  
23 (a) of this subsection during the period beginning on the day after the date of the primary  
24 election and ending on the date of the general election and:

25       (i) If the candidate is running unopposed in the primary election, five percent of the  
26 amount set forth in paragraph (a) of this subsection during the period ending on the date  
27 of the primary election; or

28       (ii) If the candidate is not running unopposed in the primary election, 50 percent of the  
29 amount set forth in paragraph (a) of this subsection during the period ending on the date  
30 of the primary election.

31       (c) If a candidate has received contributions from a single person in an aggregate amount  
32 of more than \$250 during an election cycle but prior to filing a statement of intent under  
33 section 9 (1)(a) of this 2022 Act, the maximum public match shall be reduced by the total  
34 amount of moneys received in contributions from a single person in an aggregate amount  
35 of more than \$250 prior to the candidate filing a statement of intent under section 9 (1)(a)  
36 of this 2022 Act.

37       (3) “Minimum amount of in-state qualifying contributions” means the following amount  
38 of qualified small donor contributions from in-state individuals that a candidate must receive  
39 in order to participate in the Small Donor Elections Program:

40       (a) \$10,000 in qualified small donor contributions for candidates for the office of state  
41 Senator; or

42       (b) \$6,000 in qualified small donor contributions for candidates for the office of state  
43 Representative.

44       (4) “Minimum number of in-state qualifying contributions” means the following number  
45 of in-state individuals that a candidate must receive qualified small donor contributions from

1 in order to participate in the Small Donor Elections Program:

2 (a) 400 donors for candidates for the office of state Senator; or

3 (b) 250 donors for candidates for the office of state Representative.

4 (5) “Nonmatching small donor contributions” means, except as otherwise provided by  
5 law:

6 (a) Contributions in an aggregate amount of no more than \$250 per election cycle from  
7 a person that is not an individual, including a political committee, to a candidate for the of-  
8 fice of state Senator or state Representative; or

9 (b) In-kind contributions to a candidate for the office of state Senator or state Repre-  
10 sentative that, when combined with nonmatching small donor contributions described in  
11 paragraph (a) of this subsection and with qualified small donor contributions, result in an  
12 aggregate amount of no more than \$250 from a person per election cycle.

13 (6)(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection, “qualified small donor con-  
14 tributions” means contributions in an aggregate amount of no more than \$250 per election  
15 cycle from an individual to a candidate for the office of state Senator or state Represen-  
16 tative.

17 (b) In-kind contributions are not “qualified small donor contributions.”

18 (7) “Qualifying period” means the 120-day period that begins on the date a candidate for  
19 the office of state Senator or state Representative files a statement of intent to participate  
20 in the Small Donor Elections Program.

21 **SECTION 9.** (1) In order to participate in the Small Donor Elections Program, a candi-  
22 date for the office of state Senator or state Representative:

23 (a) Must file a statement of intent with the Secretary of State at any time during the  
24 period that begins immediately after the date of a general election and ends on the date 150  
25 days before the date of the next general election;

26 (b) Must collect at least the minimum amount of in-state qualifying contributions during  
27 the qualifying period;

28 (c) Must collect at least the minimum number of in-state qualifying contributions during  
29 the qualifying period;

30 (d) Must sign an affidavit designed by the Secretary of State by rule stating that the  
31 candidate will follow the requirements of the Small Donor Elections Program set forth in  
32 sections 8 to 13 of this 2022 Act; and

33 (e) May not have made or accepted a loan in an aggregate amount of more than \$250 to  
34 the candidate’s campaign since the date of the last general election at the time the candidate  
35 files a statement under paragraph (a) of this subsection.

36 (2)(a) Except as provided in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this subsection, a candidate who  
37 satisfies each requirement set forth in subsection (1) of this section shall receive from the  
38 Small Donor Elections Fund an amount equal to \$6 for every \$1 in qualified small donor  
39 contributions received from an in-state individual, provided that the total amount received  
40 by the candidate from the fund does not exceed the maximum public match. The distribution  
41 of moneys from the fund shall be done in the manner set forth in section 10 of this 2022 Act.

42 (b) During the period starting on the day after the date of a general election and ending  
43 on the date of the next primary election, moneys provided from the Small Donor Elections  
44 Fund under paragraph (a) of this subsection may not apply to more than \$125 of the qualified  
45 small donor contributions made by any individual to each candidate.

1 (c) During the period starting on the day after the date of a general election and ending  
2 on the date of the next general election, moneys provided from the Small Donor Elections  
3 Fund under paragraph (a) of this subsection may not apply to more than \$250 of the qualified  
4 small donor contributions made by an individual to each candidate. The moneys provided  
5 from the Small Donor Elections Fund shall apply to all qualified small donor contributions  
6 up to \$250 per individual for each candidate who qualifies for the next general election.

7 (3) In addition to qualified small donor contributions and moneys received from the Small  
8 Donor Elections Fund under subsection (2) of this section and section 10 of this 2022 Act,  
9 candidates who participate in the Small Donor Elections Program may:

10 (a) Receive nonmatching small donor contributions from an unlimited number of donors.

11 (b) Use personal moneys, or moneys raised from any legal source, to establish the  
12 candidate's campaign. Moneys used or raised under this paragraph:

13 (A) May include aggregate amounts in excess of \$250 from any person; and

14 (B) May not be in an aggregate amount of more than \$6,000 per election cycle.

15 (4)(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection, contributions received by a  
16 candidate who participates in the Small Donor Elections Program may be used in any man-  
17 ner consistent with ORS 260.407.

18 (b) Moneys received from the Small Donor Elections Fund under subsection (2) of this  
19 section or section 10 of this 2022 Act:

20 (A) Shall be used only for legitimate campaign expenses, as determined by rule by the  
21 Secretary of State; and

22 (B) May not be used to:

23 (i) Pay salaries for family members of the candidate;

24 (ii) Make purchases from a business or entity owned by the candidate or the candidate's  
25 family;

26 (iii) Pay for campaign expenditures at a rate greater than fair market value;

27 (iv) Make a contribution to the campaign of another candidate;

28 (v) Pay for fundraising expenses for any person or entity other than the candidate; or

29 (vi) Make an independent expenditure.

30 (5) A candidate who participates in the Small Donor Elections Program may not:

31 (a) Coordinate election activities with any entity that makes independent expenditures  
32 related to the candidate, the office the candidate is seeking or the election the candidate is  
33 participating in.

34 (b) Receive contributions that are not authorized by this section.

35 (c) Except as provided in subsection (3) of this section, receive more than an aggregate  
36 amount of \$250 in qualified small donor contributions and nonmatching small donor contri-  
37 butions from a single donor per election cycle.

38 (d) Make or accept a loan in an aggregate amount of more than \$250 to the candidate's  
39 campaign.

40 (6) A candidate who participates in the Small Donor Elections Program and receives a  
41 contribution that exceeds the amount that would constitute a qualified small donor contri-  
42 bution or a nonmatching small donor contribution shall within two weeks:

43 (a) Return to the person making the contribution the amount contributed that is in ex-  
44 cess of the statutory limits; or

45 (b) Withdraw from the program and return to the Secretary of State for deposit into the

1 **Small Donor Elections Fund the total amount of public moneys distributed to the candidate**  
2 **under subsection (2) of this section or section 10 of this 2022 Act, plus interest.**

3 **(7)(a) No later than 45 days after each general election, a candidate who participates in**  
4 **the Small Donor Elections Program shall return to the Secretary of State for deposit into**  
5 **the Small Donor Elections Fund any unspent public moneys that were provided to the can-**  
6 **didate under subsection (2) of this section or section 10 of this 2022 Act.**

7 **(b) In order to ensure the return of unspent public moneys that are required to be re-**  
8 **turned under this subsection, the candidate shall:**

9 **(A) Keep detailed records establishing the total amount of moneys from the Small Donor**  
10 **Elections Fund and the total amount of moneys from other sources that compose the total**  
11 **amount of moneys deposited into the campaign bank account of the candidate; and**

12 **(B) After campaign expenses are paid, return a percentage of the total amount of moneys**  
13 **remaining in the account that is equal to the percentage of the total amount of moneys de-**  
14 **posited into the account that came from the Small Donor Elections Fund.**

15 **(8) Except as otherwise provided in section 8 (2) of this 2022 Act, a candidate who par-**  
16 **ticipates in the Small Donor Elections Program may receive up to 50 percent of the maxi-**  
17 **imum public match during the primary election.**

18 **SECTION 10. The Secretary of State by rule shall establish a process for distributing**  
19 **moneys from the Small Donor Elections Fund to candidates who have met all of the re-**  
20 **quirements set forth in section 9 (1) of this 2022 Act for participation in the Small Donor**  
21 **Elections Program. As part of this process:**

22 **(1) The Secretary of State shall certify that a candidate has completed each requirement**  
23 **set forth in section 9 (1) of this 2022 Act.**

24 **(2) Except as provided in section 9 (2) of this 2022 Act, upon providing certification under**  
25 **subsection (1) of this section, the Secretary of State shall provide moneys from the Small**  
26 **Donor Elections Fund to the candidate in an amount equal to \$6 for every \$1 in qualified**  
27 **small donor contributions received from an in-state individual, provided that the amount**  
28 **received by the candidate does not exceed the maximum public match.**

29 **(3) Following an initial distribution made under subsection (2) of this section, the candi-**  
30 **date may file with the Secretary of State additional contribution statements seeking moneys**  
31 **from the Small Donor Elections Fund. Except as provided in subsection (4) of this section,**  
32 **additional contribution statements:**

33 **(a) May be filed only after the candidate has received qualified small donor contributions**  
34 **of at least \$1,500 since the candidate last filed a statement.**

35 **(b) May not be filed more than one time per week.**

36 **(4) During the 30 days immediately preceding the general election, a candidate may file**  
37 **additional contribution statements seeking moneys from the Small Donor Elections Fund**  
38 **without receiving qualified small donor contributions of at least \$1,500.**

39 **SECTION 11. (1) A candidate participating in the Small Donor Elections Program who**  
40 **knowingly falsifies campaign records or who knowingly violates any provision of sections 8**  
41 **to 13 of this 2022 Act:**

42 **(a) May no longer participate in the program;**

43 **(b) Shall be required to return to the Secretary of State for deposit into the Small Donor**  
44 **Elections Fund the total amount of public moneys distributed to the candidate under sections**  
45 **9 (2) and 10 of this 2022 Act, plus interest;**

1 (c) Is personally liable for the return of any public moneys that have already been ex-  
2 pended; and

3 (d) Is subject to criminal liability under ORS 260.993 (2) and civil liability under ORS  
4 260.995 (2)(c) for a violation of ORS 260.715 (1).

5 (2) The Secretary of State by rule shall conduct reasonable audits of participants in the  
6 Small Donor Elections Program to ensure the integrity of the program.

7 (3) A candidate may use the appeal mechanism established in ORS 246.910 to challenge  
8 any decision of the Secretary of State relating to the candidate's ability to participate in the  
9 Small Donor Elections Program.

10 (4) A candidate participating in the Small Donor Elections Program may at any time  
11 voluntarily withdraw from the program by returning to the Secretary of State for deposit  
12 into the Small Donor Elections Fund 100 percent of the total amount of public moneys dis-  
13 tributed to the candidate under sections 9 (2) and 10 of this 2022 Act, plus interest.

14 **SECTION 12.** (1) The Small Donor Elections Fund is established in the State Treasury,  
15 separate and distinct from the General Fund. Interest earned by the Small Donor Elections  
16 Fund shall be credited to the fund. All moneys in the fund are continuously appropriated to  
17 the Secretary of State for the purpose of administering sections 8 to 13 of this 2022 Act.

18 (2) The fund consists of moneys appropriated to the fund by the Legislative Assembly,  
19 moneys returned to the fund by candidates who participate in the Small Donor Elections  
20 Program in the manner set forth in sections 8 to 13 of this 2022 Act and moneys paid into  
21 the fund under ORS 260.995. The Secretary of State may accept grants, donations, contribu-  
22 tions or gifts from any source for deposit in the fund.

23 **SECTION 13.** (1) The maximum public match described in section 8 (2) of this 2022 Act  
24 for the period beginning on the day after the 2022 general election and ending on the date  
25 of the 2024 general election shall be:

26 (a) \$600,000 for candidates for the office of state Senator; and

27 (b) \$400,000 for candidates for the office of state Representative.

28 (2) Prior to the start of each election cycle, the Secretary of State shall adjust the dollar  
29 amounts set forth in this section by the cumulative change in the Consumer Price Index for  
30 All Urban Consumers, West Region (All Items), as published by the Bureau of Labor Statis-  
31 tics of the United States Department of Labor, or its successor, since the previous election  
32 cycle. The adjustments performed under this subsection shall be rounded to the nearest \$10  
33 increment.

34 **SECTION 14.** (1) A resident individual taxpayer who files a full-year Oregon individual  
35 income tax return may designate that a contribution be made to the Small Donor Elections  
36 Fund established in section 12 of this 2022 Act. The resident individual taxpayer shall make  
37 the designation by marking the box or filling in the space provided on the return form pur-  
38 suant to subsection (2) of this section. The amount designated shall be subtracted from any  
39 refund due on the return.

40 (2)(a) The Department of Revenue shall provide, on the face of the full-year Oregon in-  
41 dividual income tax return form, a place for resident individual taxpayers to contribute to  
42 the Small Donor Elections Fund. The department is not required to add a line to a particular  
43 form if this addition would require the addition of a page to the return form.

44 (b) The area on the return form for making the designation shall provide for:

45 (A) A checkoff box of \$5, \$10, \$20 or \$50; and

1 (B) A blank line in which the individual may write in an amount other than an amount  
2 designated under subparagraph (A) of this paragraph.

3 (c) The instructions for the return form shall adequately explain that any amount des-  
4 ignated shall be paid to the Small Donor Elections Fund, that the amount designated will  
5 decrease the refund of the taxpayer by the designated amount and that the designation is  
6 entirely voluntary.

7 (3) If a taxpayer designates both a contribution to the Small Donor Elections Fund under  
8 this section and a contribution pursuant to ORS 305.745, and the refund due the taxpayer is  
9 insufficient to satisfy the designated contribution under ORS 305.745, the designation under  
10 this section is void and no contribution to the Small Donor Elections Fund is made.

11 **SECTION 15.** ORS 305.754 is amended to read:

12 305.754. (1) A resident individual taxpayer who files a full-year Oregon individual income tax  
13 return may designate that a contribution be made to the Oregon Political Party Fund for payment  
14 to the major or minor political party designated. The resident individual taxpayer shall make the  
15 designation by entering a code denoting the party and marking the box provided on the return form  
16 pursuant to subsection (2) of this section. The amount designated shall be subtracted from any re-  
17 fund due on the return.

18 (2)(a) The Department of Revenue shall provide, on the face of the full-year Oregon individual  
19 income tax return form, a place for resident individual taxpayers to make the designation of a pol-  
20 itical party provided by this section. The department is not required to add a line to a particular  
21 form if this addition would require addition of a page to the return form. All major political parties,  
22 as described in ORS 248.006, and all minor political parties, as described in ORS 248.008, shall be  
23 listed, with identifying codes, in the instructions to the individual income tax return.

24 (b) The area on the return form for making the designation shall provide for a checkoff box of  
25 \$3. The instructions shall adequately explain that any amount designated shall be paid to the poli-  
26 tical party of the taxpayer's choice, that the amount designated will decrease the refund of the  
27 taxpayer by the designated amount, and that the designation is entirely voluntary.

28 (3) If a taxpayer filing a full-year Oregon individual income tax return designates more than one  
29 political party to receive the contribution, the designation is void and no contribution is made.

30 (4) If a joint return is filed and only one political party is designated, that political party shall  
31 receive a contribution in the total amount designated. If two political parties are designated on a  
32 joint return, each political party shall receive a contribution in the amount designated by each joint  
33 filer. If more than two parties are designated, the designations are void and no contribution is made.

34 (5) If an organization that is not a major or minor political party is designated under this sec-  
35 tion, the designation is void and no contribution is made.

36 (6) If a designation is void under subsection (3), (4) or (5) of this section, the department shall  
37 adjust the return to reflect the amount designated for contribution under this section.

38 (7) If a taxpayer designates both a contribution to a political party under this section and a  
39 contribution pursuant to **either** ORS 305.745 **or section 14 of this 2022 Act**, and the refund due the  
40 taxpayer is insufficient to satisfy the designated contribution under ORS 305.745 **or section 14 of**  
41 **this 2022 Act**, the designation under this section is void and no contribution to a political party is  
42 made.

43 **SECTION 16.** ORS 305.796 is amended to read:

44 305.796. (1) The Department of Revenue shall provide a means by which personal income tax-  
45 payers may elect to establish an account under ORS 178.335 within the Oregon 529 Savings Network

1 in the name of a designated beneficiary.

2 (2) A taxpayer may elect to contribute all or a portion of a refund of personal income tax to  
3 an account that has been established under ORS 178.335 by direct deposit to the financial institution  
4 managing the account. The amount elected to be contributed by the taxpayer must be at least \$25  
5 and may be applied as a contribution only for the tax year in which the refund is issued.

6 (3) The election to contribute all or a portion of a refund shall be made on a form prescribed  
7 by the department and filed with the taxpayer's tax return for the tax year or at such other time  
8 and in such other manner as the department may prescribe by rule. The department shall prescribe  
9 by rule the maximum number of accounts to which a taxpayer may elect to contribute a portion of  
10 the refund.

11 (4) The election to contribute all or a portion of a refund may not be changed or revoked.

12 (5) The election to contribute all or a portion of a refund shall be void, and no portion of the  
13 refund may be contributed to an account that has been established under ORS 178.335, if:

14 (a) The taxpayer's refund is offset to pay amounts owed by the taxpayer; or

15 (b) The taxpayer's refund is less than the total of the following:

16 (A) The contribution elected in subsection (2) of this section;

17 (B) Payments of tax as provided in ORS 316.583 that accompany the return;

18 (C) All contributions to charitable and governmental entities designated by means of a checkoff  
19 as provided in ORS 305.745; *[and]*

20 (D) All contributions to political parties designated by means of a checkoff as provided in ORS  
21 305.754[.]; **and**

22 **(E) All contributions to the Small Donor Elections Fund as provided in section 14 of this**  
23 **2022 Act.**

24 **SECTION 17.** ORS 260.266 is amended to read:

25 260.266. (1) Except as otherwise provided by a local provision, a communication in support of  
26 or in opposition to a clearly identified candidate must state the name of the persons that paid for  
27 the communication.

28 (2) For the purpose of complying with subsection (1) of this section:

29 (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection, a communication in support of or in  
30 opposition to a clearly identified candidate by a political committee or petition committee must  
31 state:

32 (A) The name of the **principal campaign committee**, political committee or petition committee;  
33 and

34 (B) The names of the five persons that have made the largest aggregate contributions of \$10,000  
35 or more to the committee in the election cycle in which the communication is made.

36 (b) A communication in support of or in opposition to a clearly identified candidate by an  
37 individual[,] **or** a for-profit business entity *[or a candidate or the principal campaign committee of a*  
38 *candidate]* must state the name of the individual[,] **or** for-profit business entity *[or candidate]*.

39 (c)(A) A communication in support of or in opposition to a clearly identified candidate by a  
40 person not described in paragraph (a) or (b) of this subsection must state:

41 (i) The name of the person; and

42 (ii) Except as provided in subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, the names of the five persons that  
43 have made the largest aggregate donations of \$10,000 or more to the person in the election cycle in  
44 which the communication is made.

45 (B) In identifying persons that have made aggregate donations of \$10,000 or more, a person de-

1 scribed in this paragraph may exclude:

2 (i) Donations received from an affiliated charitable organization that is tax exempt under section  
3 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code; and

4 (ii) Donations and grants received from foundations and other persons that may not be used to  
5 make a communication in support of or in opposition to a clearly identified candidate.

6 (d) Notwithstanding paragraphs (a) to (c) of this subsection, a digital communication may state  
7 only the name of the person that made the communication if the digital communication includes an  
8 active link to a website that prominently displays the additional information required by this sub-  
9 section.

10 (3) A person that makes communications in support of or in opposition to a clearly identified  
11 candidate must consider an anonymous donation of \$1,000 or more from a single person to be a do-  
12 nation that may not be used to make a communication in support of or in opposition to a clearly  
13 identified candidate.

14 (4)(a) If a person is required to disclose the names of five persons under subsection (2)(a)(B) or  
15 (c)(A)(ii) of this section and more than five persons qualify as having made the largest aggregate  
16 contributions or donations, the person shall disclose the five applicable persons whose contributions  
17 or donations were made closest to the date of initial printing or transmission of the communication.

18 (b) Except as provided in paragraph (c) of this subsection, the five persons required to be named  
19 under subsection (2)(a)(B) or (c)(A)(ii) of this section must be accurate as of 10 days before the most  
20 recent payment to print or transmit the communication.

21 (c) A person that both makes multiple digital communications in support of or in opposition to  
22 a clearly identified candidate and uses the method described in subsection (2)(d) of this section to  
23 meet the identification requirements of subsection (2)(a)(B) or (c)(A)(ii) of this section, may use one  
24 active link to the same website for all digital communications made by the person, provided that the  
25 information on the website is accurate as of 10 days before the most recent payment to print or  
26 transmit a communication.

27 (5) This section does not apply to:

28 (a) Candidates for federal office.

29 (b) Candidates other than those described in paragraph (a) of this subsection who are not re-  
30 quired to use the electronic filing system adopted under ORS 260.057 to file statements of contribu-  
31 tions received or expenditures made.

32 (c) Petition committees that are not required to use the electronic filing system adopted under  
33 ORS 260.057 to file statements of contributions received or expenditures made.

34 (d) Political committees that are not required to use the electronic filing system adopted under  
35 ORS 260.057 to file statements of contributions received or expenditures made.

36 (e) A person that makes independent expenditures and that is exempt under ORS 260.044 from  
37 being required to file statements of independent expenditures using the electronic filing system  
38 adopted under ORS 260.057.

39 (f) A communication that is excluded from the definition of "expenditure" under ORS 260.007.

40 (g) Items of de minimis value relating to a candidate, including but not limited to:

41 (A) Lawn signs, pins, pens and other similar items;

42 (B) Skywriting; or

43 (C) Wearable merchandise.

44 (h) Any other item that the Secretary of State by rule determines is too small to feasibly include  
45 the identifying information required by this section.



1 (6) The Secretary of State by rule shall prescribe the form of statements required on communi-  
 2 cations described in this section. Rules adopted under this subsection must ensure that the infor-  
 3 mation required to be included in communications under this section is:

4 (a) In a font, size and color that are easy for an average person to read, if the communication  
 5 appears in a print or digital format; and

6 (b) Clearly audible to the average person, if the communication appears in an audio format.

7 (7) As used in this section:

8 (a) "Clearly identified" has the meaning given that term in ORS 260.005 (10)(b).

9 (b)(A) Except as provided in subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, "communication in support of  
 10 or in opposition to a clearly identified candidate" means:

11 (i)(I) The communication, when taken as a whole and with limited reference to external events,  
 12 such as the proximity to the election, could only be interpreted by a reasonable person as containing  
 13 advocacy for the election or defeat of a clearly identified candidate for nomination or election to  
 14 public office; and

15 (II) The electoral portion of the communication is unmistakable, unambiguous and suggestive  
 16 of only one meaning; or

17 (ii)(I) The communication involves aggregate expenditures by a person of more than the amount  
 18 provided in ORS 260.044 (1);

19 (II) The communication refers to a clearly identified candidate who will appear on the ballot;  
 20 and

21 (III) The communication is printed or transmitted to the relevant electorate within the time  
 22 frame provided in ORS 260.005 (10)(c)(B)(iii).

23 (B)(i) "Communication in support of or in opposition to a clearly identified candidate" includes  
 24 but is not limited to communications distributed via print, telephone, radio, television or the Inter-  
 25 net.

26 (ii) "Communication in support of or in opposition to a clearly identified candidate" does not  
 27 include newspaper editorials, printed advertisements with a fair market value of less than \$500 or  
 28 communications made via telephone that have a fair market value of less than \$500.

29 (c)(A) "Donation" means the gift or transfer of moneys or any other item of value to a person  
 30 subject to subsection (2)(c)(A) of this section, including any membership fees, dues or assessments.

31 (B) "Donation" does not include moneys or any other item of value received by a person subject  
 32 to subsection (2)(c)(A) of this section in the ordinary course of a trade or business conducted by the  
 33 person.

34 (d) "Election cycle" means the period of time starting on the day after the date of a general  
 35 election and ending on the date of the next general election.

36 (e) "Local provision" means a charter provision, ordinance, resolution or other provision  
 37 adopted by a city, county or other local government.

38 **SECTION 18. Notwithstanding section 2 (5) of this 2022 Act, a political committee, as**  
 39 **defined in ORS 260.005, that is not organized as a small donor political committee, as defined**  
 40 **in section 2 of this 2022 Act, may reorganize as a small donor political committee if, during**  
 41 **the previous 24-month period, not less than 90 percent of the total amount of moneys con-**  
 42 **tributed to the political committee were contributed by individuals in amounts not exceeding**  
 43 **\$\_\_\_\_\_ per individual donor per calendar year. Any moneys in the bank accounts of a political**  
 44 **committee that reorganizes as a small donor political committee under this section shall**  
 45 **transfer to the newly organized small donor political committee and may be used in the same**

1 manner as any other moneys contributed to the small donor political committee.

2 **SECTION 19.** Section 18 of this 2022 Act is repealed on March 31, 2025.

3 **SECTION 20.** Chapter 3, Oregon Laws 2007, is repealed.

4 **SECTION 21.** It is the intent of the Legislative Assembly that all parts of this 2022 Act  
5 are independent and that if any part of this 2022 Act is held unconstitutional, all remaining  
6 parts shall remain in force.

7 **SECTION 22.** Sections 2 to 4, 8 to 11, 13 and 18 of this 2022 Act and the amendments to  
8 ORS 260.042 and 260.995 by sections 5 and 6 of this 2022 Act become operative on November  
9 6, 2024.

10 **SECTION 23.** (1) The Secretary of State may take any action before the operative date  
11 specified in section 22 of this 2022 Act that is necessary for the Secretary of State to exer-  
12 cise, on and after the operative date specified in section 22 of this 2022 Act, all of the duties,  
13 functions and powers conferred on the Secretary of State by sections 2 to 4, 8 to 11, 13 and  
14 18 of this 2022 Act and the amendments to ORS 260.042 and 260.995 by sections 5 and 6 of this  
15 2022 Act.

16 (2)(a) A political committee may take any action before the operative date set forth in  
17 section 22 of this 2022 Act that is necessary for the political committee to be in compliance  
18 with the requirements set forth in ORS 260.042, as amended by section 6 of this 2022 Act,  
19 no later than the operative date set forth in section 22 of this 2022 Act.

20 (b) The Secretary of State shall reorganize as a multicandidate political committee any  
21 active political committee that remains organized to operate as a miscellaneous political  
22 committee on March 31, 2023. Any moneys in the bank accounts of a political committee  
23 described in this paragraph shall transfer to the newly organized multicandidate political  
24 committee and may be used in the same manner as any other moneys contributed to the  
25 multicandidate political committee.

26 (c) The Secretary of State shall by rule establish a process that provides a miscellaneous  
27 political committee that was reorganized under paragraph (b) of this subsection with a single  
28 opportunity to reorganize as a measure political committee. The process shall ensure that  
29 any moneys in the bank accounts of a political committee described in this paragraph  
30 transfer to the newly organized measure political committee and may be used in the same  
31 manner as any other moneys contributed to the measure political committee.

32 (3) No later than January 1, 2024, the Secretary of State shall propose rules necessary  
33 to implement sections 8 to 13 of this 2022 Act and the amendments to ORS 260.995 by section  
34 5 of this 2022 Act.

35 (4) No later than September 1, 2024, the Secretary of State shall propose revisions to the  
36 manual on campaign finance that is adopted by administrative rule and made publicly avail-  
37 able on the secretary's website to ensure that it incorporates and describes the contents of  
38 this 2022 Act in a clear and straightforward manner.

39 (5) No later than September 30, 2024, the Secretary of State shall report to the interim  
40 committees of the Legislative Assembly responsible for campaign finance on the actions  
41 taken by the secretary to implement the provisions of this 2022 Act.

42 **SECTION 24.** The Secretary of State shall hire a full-time employee to provide voter ed-  
43 ucation, support and outreach regarding Oregon's campaign finance laws, including the Small  
44 Donor Elections Program established in sections 8 to 13 of this 2022 Act.

45 **SECTION 25.** This 2022 Act shall be submitted to the people for their approval or re-

1 **jection at the next regular general election held throughout this state.**

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