

# Senate Bill 258

Sponsored by Senator HEARD, Representative SMITH DB (Presession filed.)

## SUMMARY

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Establishes \$100 limit on campaign contributions that may be accepted by candidates.  
Becomes operative November 6, 2024.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

1  
2 Relating to campaign contribution limits.

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

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2023 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 260.**

5 **SECTION 2. (1) Except as provided in subsection (6) of this section, and notwithstanding**  
6 **any local provision, a candidate for public office or the principal campaign committee of a**  
7 **candidate for public office may accept contributions only from the sources and in the**  
8 **amounts described in this section.**

9 **(2) A candidate or the principal campaign committee of a candidate for public office may**  
10 **not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$100 per election cycle from an individual or**  
11 **a political committee.**

12 **(3) Nothing in this section limits the amount a candidate may contribute from the**  
13 **candidate's personal funds to the candidate or the principal campaign committee of the**  
14 **candidate.**

15 **(4)(a) For purposes of the contribution limits established in this section, contributions**  
16 **made or received by multiple political committees are considered to be made or received by**  
17 **a single political committee if the political committees are established, financed, maintained**  
18 **or controlled by the same person or substantially the same group of persons, including any**  
19 **parent, subsidiary, branch, division, department or local unit of the person or group of per-**  
20 **sons.**

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

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

26 **(6) This section does not apply to candidates for federal office.**

27 **SECTION 3. Section 2 of this 2023 Act becomes operative on November 6, 2024.**

28 **SECTION 4. The Secretary of State may take any action before the operative date spec-**  
29 **ified in section 3 of this 2023 Act that is necessary for the Secretary of State to exercise, on**  
30 **and after the operative date specified in section 3 of this 2023 Act, all of the duties, functions**  
31 **and powers conferred on the Secretary of State by section 2 of this 2023 Act.**

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