

Requested by Representatives FAHEY, HELFRICH

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
HOUSE BILL 4024**

1 In line 2 of the printed bill, after “finance” insert “; creating new pro-
2 visions; amending ORS 162.005, 260.005, 260.042, 260.232, 260.266, 260.345,
3 260.402, 260.715 and 260.995; repealing ORS 260.275, 260.281 and 260.285 and
4 chapter 3, Oregon Laws 2007; and prescribing an effective date”.

5 Delete lines 4 through 8 and insert:
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7 **“CONTRIBUTION LIMITS**
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9 **“SECTION 1. Sections 2 to 5b and 9 of this 2024 Act are added to**
10 **and made a part of ORS chapter 260.**

11 **“SECTION 2. As used in sections 2 to 5b, 9, 13 and 14a of this 2024**
12 **Act and ORS 260.266:**

13 **“(1) ‘Election’ means an election at which one or more candidates**
14 **compete to be elected to a public office.**

15 **“(2)(a) ‘Election cycle,’ except as provided in paragraph (b) of this**
16 **subsection, means the period starting on January 1 of an odd-**
17 **numbered year and ending on December 31 of an even-numbered year.**

18 **“(b) ‘Election cycle,’ for an election contest that does not occur on**
19 **the date of a general election, means the period starting on the day**
20 **after the date of an election at which a candidate is elected to public**
21 **office and ending on the date of the next election for the same office,**

1 regardless of any other elections that occur during that period.

2 “(3) ‘Legislative caucus committee’ means a political committee
3 established by a caucus of a political party in the Oregon Senate or
4 the Oregon House of Representatives that is controlled by an elected
5 leader of the caucus that established the committee. A political party
6 may not establish more than one legislative caucus committee in each
7 chamber of the Legislative Assembly.

8 “(4) ‘Measure political committee,’ ‘multicandidate political com-
9 mittee,’ ‘political party multicandidate committee,’ ‘recall political
10 committee’ and ‘small donor political committee’ have the meanings
11 given those terms in ORS 260.042.

12 “(5) ‘Membership organization’ means an organization that:

13 “(a)(A) Is tax exempt under section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue
14 Code;

15 “(B) Has filed all necessary materials to obtain tax exempt status
16 under section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code with the federal
17 Internal Revenue Service and has been in existence for at least 18
18 months; or

19 “(C) Is fiscally sponsored by an organization that is tax exempt
20 under section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code; and

21 “(b) Is composed of members, either individuals or entities, who:

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

23 “(B) For each year of membership, on an annual or more frequent
24 basis, either pay monetary membership dues, make a monetary do-
25 nation as a condition of maintaining membership in the organization
26 or volunteer time as a condition of maintaining membership in the
27 organization.

28 “(6) ‘Membership organization political committee’ means a poli-
29 tical committee that has been established by a membership organiza-
30 tion. A membership organization may only have one membership

1 organization political committee.

2 **“SECTION 3. (1)(a) For purposes of the contribution limits estab-**
3 **lished in sections 4 and 5 of this 2024 Act, contributions made or do-**
4 **nations received by multiple membership organizations are considered**
5 **to be made or received by a single membership organization, if the**
6 **membership organizations are established, financed, maintained or**
7 **controlled by the same person or substantially the same group of per-**
8 **sons, including any parent, subsidiary, branch, division, department**
9 **or local unit of the person or group of persons.**

10 **“(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) of this subsection, the same**
11 **person acting as a director or officer of two or more membership or-**
12 **ganizations is not by itself sufficient to consider contributions made**
13 **or donations received by the membership organizations to be contri-**
14 **butions made or received by a single membership organization.**

15 **“(c) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) of this subsection, membership**
16 **organizations may not be considered established, financed, maintained**
17 **or controlled by the same person or within the same group of persons**
18 **if the membership organizations have the authority to make inde-**
19 **pendent decisions as to which candidates, if any, to support or oppose.**

20 **“(2) A membership organization may make political contributions**
21 **directly or through a membership organization political committee,**
22 **but may not make aggregate contributions that exceed the contribu-**
23 **tion limits of sections 4 and 5 of this 2024 Act.**

24 **“SECTION 4. (1)(a) A candidate for state office or the principal**
25 **campaign committee of a candidate for state office may accept con-**
26 **tributions only from the sources and in the amounts described in this**
27 **section.**

28 **“(b) An in-kind contribution under this section may only be made**
29 **by a contributor that is authorized to make a contribution under this**
30 **chapter and may only be received by a political committee.**

1 “(c) Except as provided in paragraph (d) of this subsection, the
2 limits on aggregate contributions that may be accepted by a candidate
3 or the principal campaign committee of a candidate for the office of
4 state Representative under this section also apply to a candidate or the
5 principal campaign committee of a candidate for any public office that
6 is not a state office.

7 “(d)(A) Any local government that, as of January 1, 2024, had a
8 system of contribution limits in effect for local elections may maintain
9 or adopt contribution limits that are lower than those required by this
10 section and may limit the sources that may make contributions to
11 candidates in local elections, except that a local government system
12 of contribution limits described in this subparagraph must permit
13 small donor political committees to accept contributions from indi-
14 viduals of up to \$250 per year, as provided in subsection (8)(a) of this
15 section.

16 “(B) For any local government that is not described in subpara-
17 graph (A) of this paragraph:

18 “(i) Except as provided in subsection (8)(a) of this section, a local
19 government may adopt contribution limits that are lower than those
20 required by this section for elections of the local government.

21 “(ii) Any contribution limits adopted by a local government under
22 this subparagraph must allow a candidate or the principal campaign
23 committee of a candidate for an election contest of the local govern-
24 ment to accept contributions from any political committee from which
25 a candidate or the principal campaign committee of a candidate for the
26 office of state Representative may accept contributions under sub-
27 section (2)(a) of this section.

28 “(C) Any local government may provide public funding for cam-
29 paigns for local government public office that are not subject to con-
30 tribution limits under this section or section 5 of this 2024 Act.

1 **“(2) A candidate or the principal campaign committee of a candi-**
2 **date for the office of state Representative, state Senator, circuit court**
3 **judge or district attorney:**

4 **“(a) May not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$3,300 per**
5 **election from a person.**

6 **“(b) May not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$2,000 per**
7 **election from a candidate political committee.**

8 **“(c) May not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$5,000 per**
9 **election cycle from a multicandidate political committee.**

10 **“(d) May not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$15,000 per**
11 **election from a political party committee.**

12 **“(e) May not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$15,000 per**
13 **election from a legislative caucus committee.**

14 **“(f) May not accept aggregate contributions from a membership**
15 **organization or membership organization political committee per**
16 **election in excess of \$3,300 times four.**

17 **“(g) May not accept aggregate contributions per election from a**
18 **small donor political committee in excess of \$5 times the number of**
19 **donors to the small donor political committee.**

20 **“(3) A candidate or the principal campaign committee of a candi-**
21 **date for a state office not described in subsection (2) of this section:**

22 **“(a) May not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$3,300 per**
23 **election from a person.**

24 **“(b) May not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$2,000 per**
25 **election cycle from a candidate political committee.**

26 **“(c) May not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$5,000 per**
27 **election cycle from a multicandidate political committee.**

28 **“(d) May not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$30,000 per**
29 **election from a political party committee.**

30 **“(e) May not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$30,000 per**

1 election from a legislative caucus committee.

2 “(f) May not accept aggregate contributions from a membership
3 organization or membership organization political committee per
4 election in excess of \$3,300 times eight.

5 “(g) May not accept aggregate contributions per election from a
6 small donor political committee in excess of \$10 times the number of
7 donors to the small donor political committee.

8 “(4) A multicandidate political committee:

9 “(a) May not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$5,000 per
10 election cycle from a person.

11 “(b) May not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$5,000 per
12 year from a candidate political committee.

13 “(c) May not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$5,000 per
14 year from another multicandidate political committee.

15 “(d) May not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$5,000 per
16 election cycle from a political party committee.

17 “(e) May not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$5,000 per
18 year from a legislative caucus committee.

19 “(f) May not accept aggregate contributions from a membership
20 organization or membership organization political committee in excess
21 of \$5,000 per year.

22 “(g) May not accept aggregate contributions from a small donor
23 political committee per election in excess of \$5,000 per year.

24 “(5) A political party committee:

25 “(a) May not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$10,000 per
26 year from a person.

27 “(b) May not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$5,000 per
28 year from a candidate political committee.

29 “(c) May not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$15,000 per
30 year from a multicandidate political committee.

1 “(d) May not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$15,000 per
2 year from another political party committee.

3 “(e) May not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$15,000 per
4 year from a legislative caucus committee.

5 “(f) May not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$10,000 per
6 year from a membership organization or membership organization
7 political committee.

8 “(g) May not accept aggregate contributions from a small donor
9 political committee in excess of \$10,000 per year.

10 “(6) A legislative caucus committee:

11 “(a) May not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$10,000 per
12 year from a person.

13 “(b) May not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$5,000 per
14 year from a candidate political committee.

15 “(c) May not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$15,000 per
16 year from a multicandidate political committee.

17 “(d) May not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$15,000 per
18 year from a political party committee.

19 “(e) May not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$15,000 per
20 year from another legislative caucus committee.

21 “(f) May not accept aggregate contributions in excess of \$10,000 per
22 year from a membership organization or membership organization
23 political committee.

24 “(g) May not accept aggregate contributions from a small donor
25 political committee in excess of \$10,000 per year.

26 “(7) Contributions to a measure political committee are not limited
27 under this section.

28 “(8)(a) A small donor political committee:

29 “(A) May not accept contributions in excess of \$250 per year from
30 an individual.

1 **“(B) May not accept contributions from a candidate political com-**
2 **mittee, multicandidate political committee, political party committee,**
3 **legislative caucus committee or a membership organization.**

4 **“(C) May not accept contributions from another small donor poli-**
5 **tical committee.**

6 **“(b) The number of donors to a small donor political committee**
7 **shall be determined by the number of unique individuals who have**
8 **donated funds to the committee during the election cycle in which the**
9 **small donor political committee donation is made.**

10 **“(9) A membership organization:**

11 **“(a) May accept unlimited donations from a person and from an-**
12 **other membership organization or membership organization political**
13 **committee.**

14 **“(b) May not accept donations from a candidate political committee,**
15 **multicandidate political committee, political party committee, legisla-**
16 **tive caucus committee or a small donor political committee.**

17 **“(10) A donor may not make a contribution, or an aggregate of**
18 **contributions during an applicable limitation period, to a recipient**
19 **that exceeds the amount a recipient could accept under the limitations**
20 **of subsections (2) to (9) of this section. This subsection does not apply**
21 **to in-kind contributions described in section 5 (2) of this 2024 Act.**

22 **“(11)(a) A political committee may make a contribution to a candi-**
23 **date for state office or the principal campaign committee of a candi-**
24 **date for state office only if the political committee is registered with**
25 **the Secretary of State as a multicandidate political committee, a pol-**
26 **itical party multicandidate committee, a legislative caucus committee,**
27 **a membership organization political committee, the principal cam-**
28 **paign committee of a candidate or a small donor political committee.**

29 **“(b) A measure political committee or recall political committee**
30 **may not make a contribution to a candidate or the principal campaign**

1 committee of a candidate for a state office.

2 “(12)(a) A membership organization may make in-kind contribu-
3 tions of up to 12 months per year of full-time staff equivalence for a
4 campaign for the office of state Representative or state Senator and
5 may make in-kind contributions of up to 36 months per year of full-
6 time staff equivalence for a campaign for statewide elected office,
7 provided that the staff time is limited to administrative support, direct
8 voter contact, community organizing, community outreach and staff
9 support for direct voter contact, community organizing or community
10 outreach activities.

11 “(b) The organization must measure full-time staff equivalence
12 from staff or members of the organization who attest that they are
13 not currently employed as pollsters, political consultants or candidate
14 campaign strategists and that they have not served as a pollster, pol-
15 itical consultant or candidate campaign strategist for at least the
16 previous 18 months.

17 “(c) The organization must be solely responsible for the pay, bene-
18 fits, employment status and other human resources of every staff
19 person or member of the organization facilitating contributions under
20 this subsection.

21 “(d) The Secretary of State shall by rule define ‘administrative
22 support,’ ‘community organizing,’ ‘community outreach,’ ‘direct voter
23 contact’ and ‘staff support’ for purposes of this subsection.

24 “(13) Nothing in this section limits the amount a candidate may
25 contribute from the candidate’s personal funds to the candidate or the
26 principal campaign committee of the candidate.

27 “(14)(a) For purposes of the contribution limits established in this
28 section, contributions made or received by multiple political commit-
29 tees are considered to be made or received by a single political com-
30 mittee if:

1 **“(A) The political committees have filed to operate as the same type**
2 **of political committee under ORS 260.042; and**

3 **“(B) The political committees are established, financed, maintained**
4 **or controlled by the same person or substantially the same group of**
5 **persons, including any parent, subsidiary, branch, division, depart-**
6 **ment or local unit of the person or group of persons.**

7 **“(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) of this subsection, independent**
8 **businesses, entities, affiliates or local groups of any structure operat-**
9 **ing under the same corporate family or umbrella organization may not**
10 **be considered established, financed, maintained or controlled by the**
11 **same person or within the same group of persons if the independent**
12 **businesses, entities, affiliates or local groups have the authority to**
13 **make independent decisions as to which candidate, if any, to support**
14 **or oppose.**

15 **“(c) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) of this subsection, having the**
16 **same person acting as the treasurer of two or more political commit-**
17 **tees is not by itself sufficient to consider contributions made by the**
18 **political committees to be contributions made or received by a single**
19 **political committee.**

20 **“(15) For purposes of the contribution limits established in this**
21 **section, contributions made by multiple persons are considered to be**
22 **made or received by a single person if the persons are established, fi-**
23 **nanced, maintained or controlled by the same person or substantially**
24 **the same group of persons, including any parent, subsidiary, branch,**
25 **division, department or local unit of the person or group of persons.**

26 **“(16)(a) For purposes of candidate contributions, clubs, societies,**
27 **associations, organizations or anonymous limited liability companies**
28 **are not authorized contributors.**

29 **“(b) This subsection does not apply to membership organizations.**

30 **“(17) A candidate seeking a minor party nomination shall be con-**

1 **sidered to be participating in the primary election for the purposes of**
2 **the contribution limits established in this section.**

3 **“(18) The Secretary of State may adopt rules necessary to imple-**
4 **ment this section.**

5 **“SECTION 5. (1)(a) A person may not control more than one of each**
6 **of the following types of committees at one time:**

7 **“(A) Principal campaign committee.**

8 **“(B) Multicandidate political committee.**

9 **“(C) Political party multicandidate committee.**

10 **“(D) Small donor political committee.**

11 **“(E) Membership organization political committee.**

12 **“(b) A person who controls both a small donor political committee**
13 **and another political committee may not split a contribution from an**
14 **individual, so that part of the individual’s contribution goes to the**
15 **small donor political committee and part of the contribution goes to**
16 **the other political committee, unless the person is directed to do so**
17 **in writing by the donor.**

18 **“(2)(a) The following in-kind contributions, as determined over a**
19 **12-month period, are exempt from the contribution limits set forth in**
20 **section 4 of this 2024 Act up to the limits provided or as further ad-**
21 **justed pursuant to subsection (3) of this section:**

22 **“(A) Food and beverages up to \$2,500 for all offices, except up to**
23 **\$5,000 for a state office subject to section 4 (3) of this 2024 Act.**

24 **“(B) Transportation costs up to \$2,500 for all offices, except up to**
25 **\$5,000 for a state office subject to section 4 (3) of this 2024 Act.**

26 **“(C) Child care, elder care, interpretation or translation services**
27 **without limitation.**

28 **“(D) Small gifts that are incidental to the operation of a business**
29 **up to \$1,000. The Secretary of State may by rule further define what**
30 **is meant by small gifts.**

1 “(E) Contributions of office space, including conference rooms and
2 other utility areas associated with office space, except that the office
3 space may not exceed 2,500 square feet or be contributed for a period
4 of longer than 12 months.

5 “(F) Legal services related to advising a candidate on compliance
6 with election laws and representing a candidate in the event a com-
7 plaint alleging a violation of election laws is filed against the candidate
8 may be contributed without limitation.

9 “(b) In-kind contributions described in this subsection must be re-
10 ported to the Secretary of State at the same time and in the same
11 manner as other contributions and expenditures are reported.

12 “(c) In-kind contributions described in this subsection may only be
13 made by a contributor authorized to make a contribution under this
14 chapter and may only be received by a candidate or a candidate com-
15 mittee.

16 “(3) Prior to the start of each election cycle, the Secretary of State
17 shall adjust the dollar amounts set forth in this section and section 4
18 of this 2024 Act by the cumulative change in the Consumer Price Index
19 for All Urban Consumers, West Region (All Items), as published by the
20 Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor,
21 or its successor, since 2024. The adjustments performed under this
22 subsection shall be rounded to the nearest \$10 increment.

23 “(4) The Secretary of State may adopt rules necessary to implement
24 this section.

25 “SECTION 5a. (1) At the end of an election cycle, any unexpended
26 funds that remain in the accounts of a candidate political committee
27 may be used only as follows:

28 “(a) To refund contributions to contributors in amounts not ex-
29 ceeding the aggregate contribution received from each contributor
30 during the election cycle;

1 **“(b) To make a contribution to another political committee as au-**
2 **thorized under section 4 of this 2024 Act;**

3 **“(c) To transfer any amount to the Campaign Finance Education**
4 **Fund established in section 5b of this 2024 Act; or**

5 **“(d) For purposes authorized under ORS 260.407, except that a con-**
6 **tribution made under ORS 260.407 (1)(a)(C) must be made to an or-**
7 **ganization described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.**

8 **“(2) As of 60 days after the end of the applicable election cycle, a**
9 **candidate political committee may not carry forward unexpended**
10 **funds in excess of the following limits unless the excess unexpended**
11 **funds are reported in the time and manner required by the Secretary**
12 **of State by rule:**

13 **“(a) \$10,000 for a candidate for state Representative, circuit court**
14 **judge or district attorney.**

15 **“(b) \$20,000 for a candidate for a state Senator.**

16 **“(c) \$40,000 for a candidate for a state office that is not described**
17 **in paragraphs (a) or (b) of this subsection.**

18 **“(d) For a candidate for any other public office, the greater of \$5,000**
19 **or five cents per elector in the district of the public office.**

20 **“(3) A candidate political committee that has not been used to**
21 **support a candidate for public office for two consecutive election cy-**
22 **cles shall dispose of any funds carried over from a previous election**
23 **cycle in accordance with subsection (1) of this section.**

24 **“SECTION 5b. (1) The Campaign Finance Education Fund is estab-**
25 **lished in the General Fund. Moneys in the Campaign Finance Educa-**
26 **tion Fund are continuously appropriated to the Secretary of State for**
27 **the purpose of carrying out the duties described in section 21 of this**
28 **2024 Act.**

29 **“(2) Moneys in the fund shall consist of:**

30 **“(a) Moneys appropriated or transferred to the fund by the Legis-**

1 **lative Assembly;**

2 **“(b) Moneys transferred to the fund pursuant to section 5a (1)(c)**
3 **of this 2024 Act; and**

4 **“(c) Other amounts deposited into the fund from any source.**

5 **“SECTION 6.** ORS 260.042 is amended to read:

6 **“260.042. (1)** The treasurer of a political committee shall file a statement
7 of organization with the filing officer. The statement must include:

8 **“(a)** The name[,] **and** address [*and nature*] of the committee. The address
9 must be the address of a residence, office, headquarters or similar location
10 where the political committee or a responsible officer of the political com-
11 mittee may be conveniently located.

12 **“(b)** The name, address and occupation of the committee director or di-
13 rectors.

14 **“(c)** The name and address of the committee treasurer.

15 **“(d)** The name and address of any other political committee of which two
16 or more committee directors are also directors of the committee filing the
17 statement.

18 **“(e) Whether the political committee will operate as a measure**
19 **political committee, a multicandidate political committee, a political**
20 **party multicandidate committee, a legislative caucus committee, a**
21 **membership organization political committee, a recall political com-**
22 **mittee or a small donor political committee.**

23 **“[(e)] (f)** The name, office sought, and party affiliation of each candidate
24 whom the committee is supporting or specifically opposing or intends to
25 support or specifically oppose, when known, or, if the committee is support-
26 ing or specifically opposing all the candidates of a given party, the name of
27 that party.

28 **“[(f)] (g)** A designation of any measure that the committee is opposing
29 or supporting, or intends to support or oppose.

30 **“[(g)] (h)** A statement of whether the committee is a controlled commit-

1 tee.

2 “(2) In addition to the information listed in subsection (1) of this section,
3 the statement of organization must include, or be amended within five busi-
4 ness days to include, the name of the financial institution in which the
5 campaign account required under ORS 260.054 is established, the name of the
6 account, the name of the account holder and the names of all individuals
7 who have signature authority for the account. The Secretary of State may
8 not disclose information received by the secretary under this subsection ex-
9 cept as necessary for purposes of enforcing the provisions of ORS chapters
10 246 to 260.

11 “(3) A treasurer may designate an individual to receive any notice pro-
12 vided by a filing officer under ORS chapters 246 to 260. The treasurer shall
13 include the name and address of the individual in a statement of organization
14 filed under this section. A filing officer who provides any notice under ORS
15 chapters 246 to 260 to the treasurer of the political committee shall also
16 provide the notice to the individual designated by the treasurer under this
17 subsection.

18 “(4) A treasurer may designate an elector of this state to be liable for any
19 civil penalty imposed under ORS 260.232. The treasurer shall include the
20 name and address of any elector designated under this subsection in a
21 statement of organization filed under this section.

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

24 “(6) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, any change in
25 information submitted in a statement of organization under subsections (1)
26 and (2) of this section must be indicated in an amended statement of organ-
27 ization filed not later than the 10th day after the change in information.

28 “(7) This section does not apply to a political committee that is a princi-
29 pal campaign committee or to a political committee exclusively supporting
30 or opposing one or more candidates for federal or political party office.

1 **“(8)(a) A major political party or minor political party may establish**
2 **no more than one political party multicandidate committee.**

3 **“(b) A recall political committee may be formed only after a recall**
4 **election is certified to the ballot.**

5 **“(9) As used in this section:**

6 **“(a) ‘Legislative caucus committee’ has the meaning given that**
7 **term in section 2 of this 2024 Act.**

8 **“(b) ‘Major political party’ means a political party that has qualified**
9 **as a major political party under ORS 248.006.**

10 **“(c) ‘Measure political committee’ means a political committee that**
11 **supports or opposes one or more measures.**

12 **“(d) ‘Membership organization political committee’ has the mean-**
13 **ing given that term in section 2 of this 2024 Act.**

14 **“(e) ‘Minor political party’ means a political party that has qualified**
15 **as a minor political party under ORS 248.008.**

16 **“(f) ‘Multicandidate political committee’ means a political commit-**
17 **tee that supports or opposes:**

18 **“(A) One or more candidates; or**

19 **“(B) All candidates affiliated with a major political party or a minor**
20 **political party.**

21 **“(g) ‘Political party multicandidate committee’ means a political**
22 **committee that:**

23 **“(A) Operates on a statewide basis;**

24 **“(B) Qualifies as a multicandidate political committee; and**

25 **“(C)(i) Represents a major political party or a minor political party;**
26 **or**

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

29 **“(h) ‘Recall political committee’ means a political committee that**
30 **supports or opposes a person subject to a recall election.**

1 “(i) ‘Small donor political committee’ means a political committee
2 that:

3 “(A) Registers as a small donor political committee under this sec-
4 tion;

5 “(B) Prior to registering as a small donor political committee has
6 not accepted a contribution in excess of the contribution limits for
7 small donor political committees set forth in section 4 of this 2024 Act;
8 and

9 “(C) While operating as a small donor political committee, complies
10 with the restrictions on receiving contributions set forth in section 4
11 of this 2024 Act.

12 “SECTION 7. Notwithstanding ORS 260.042 (9)(i), a political com-
13 mittee, as defined in ORS 260.005, that is not organized as a small do-
14 nor political committee, as defined in ORS 260.042, may reorganize as
15 a small donor political committee if, during the previous 24-month
16 period, not less than 90 percent of the total amount of moneys con-
17 tributed to the political committee were contributed by individuals in
18 amounts not exceeding \$250 per individual donor per calendar year.
19 Any moneys in the bank accounts of a political committee that reor-
20 ganizes as a small donor political committee under this section shall
21 transfer to the newly organized small donor political committee and
22 may be used in the same manner as any other moneys contributed to
23 the small donor political committee.

24 “SECTION 8. Section 7 of this 2024 Act is repealed on March 31,
25 2027.

26 “SECTION 9. (1) A person may not, directly or indirectly:

27 “(a) Require an employee or contractor to make a contribution or
28 independent expenditure to support or oppose any candidate; or

29 “(b) Provide or promise any benefit or impose or threaten any det-
30 riment due to a decision by an employee or contractor on whether to

1 **make a contribution or independent expenditure to support or oppose**
2 **a candidate.**

3 **“(2)(a) A foreign national, foreign corporation or foreign entity may**
4 **not, directly or indirectly, make or offer to make a candidate cam-**
5 **paign contribution or expenditure or make a donation used by an en-**
6 **tity to pay for candidate campaign independent expenditures.**

7 **“(b) As used in this subsection, ‘foreign national’ means a foreign**
8 **principal, as defined in 22 U.S.C. 611 (b), but does not include any in-**
9 **dividual who is:**

10 **“(A) A citizen of the United States;**

11 **“(B) A national of the United States;**

12 **“(C) Lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United**
13 **States; or**

14 **“(D) A resident of Oregon.**

15 **“SECTION 10. ORS 260.005 is amended to read:**

16 **“260.005. As used in this chapter:**

17 **“(1)(a) ‘Candidate’ means:**

18 **“(A) An individual whose name is printed on a ballot, for whom a decla-**
19 **ration of candidacy, nominating petition or certificate of nomination to**
20 **public office has been filed or whose name is expected to be or has been**
21 **presented, with the individual’s consent, for nomination or election to public**
22 **office;**

23 **“(B) An individual who has solicited or received and accepted a contri-**
24 **bution, made an expenditure, or given consent to an individual, organization,**
25 **political party or political committee to solicit or receive and accept a con-**
26 **tribution or make an expenditure on the individual’s behalf to secure nomi-**
27 **nation or election to any public office at any time, whether or not the office**
28 **for which the individual will seek nomination or election is known when the**
29 **solicitation is made, the contribution is received and retained or the ex-**
30 **penditure is made, and whether or not the name of the individual is printed**

1 on a ballot; or

2 “(C) A public office holder against whom a recall petition has been com-
3 pleted and filed.

4 “(b) For purposes of this section and ORS 260.035 to 260.156, ‘candidate’
5 does not include a candidate for the office of precinct committeeperson.

6 “(2) ‘Committee director’ means any person who directly and substantially
7 participates in decision-making on behalf of a political committee concerning
8 the solicitation or expenditure of funds and the support of or opposition to
9 candidates or measures. The officers of a political party shall be considered
10 the directors of any political party committee of that party, unless otherwise
11 provided in the party’s bylaws.

12 “(3) Except as provided in ORS 260.007, ‘contribute’ or ‘contribution’ in-
13 cludes:

14 “(a) The payment, loan, gift, forgiving of indebtedness, or furnishing
15 without equivalent compensation or consideration, of money, services other
16 than personal services for which no compensation is asked or given, supplies,
17 equipment or any other thing of value:

18 “(A) For the purpose of influencing an election for public office or an
19 election on a measure, or of reducing the debt of a candidate for nomination
20 or election to public office or the debt of a political committee; or

21 “(B) To or on behalf of a candidate, political committee or measure;
22 [*and*]

23 “(b) The excess value of a contribution made for compensation or con-
24 sideration of less than equivalent value[.]; **and**

25 “(c) **An expenditure by a person for a communication in support**
26 **of or in opposition to a clearly identified candidate or measure that is**
27 **made with the cooperation or with the prior consent of, or in consul-**
28 **tation with, or at the request or suggestion of, a candidate or any**
29 **agent or authorized committee of the candidate, or any political com-**
30 **mittee or agent of a political committee supporting or opposing a**

1 **measure.**

2 “(4) ‘Controlled committee’ means a political committee that, in con-
3 nection with the making of contributions or expenditures:

4 “(a) Is controlled directly or indirectly by a candidate or a controlled
5 committee; or

6 “(b) Acts jointly with a candidate or controlled committee.

7 “(5) ‘Controlled directly or indirectly by a candidate’ means:

8 “(a) The candidate, the candidate’s agent, a member of the candidate’s
9 immediate family or any other political committee that the candidate con-
10 trols has a significant influence on the actions or decisions of the political
11 committee; or

12 “(b) The candidate’s principal campaign committee and the political com-
13 mittee both have the candidate or a member of the candidate’s immediate
14 family as a treasurer or director.

15 “(6) ‘County clerk’ means the county clerk or the county official in charge
16 of elections.

17 “(7) ‘Elector’ means an individual qualified to vote under Article II, sec-
18 tion 2, of the Oregon Constitution.

19 “(8) Except as provided in ORS 260.007, ‘expend’ or ‘expenditure’ includes
20 the payment or furnishing of money or anything of value or the incurring
21 or repayment of indebtedness or obligation by or on behalf of a candidate,
22 political committee or person in consideration for any services, supplies,
23 equipment or other thing of value performed or furnished for any reason,
24 including support of or opposition to a candidate, political committee or
25 measure, or for reducing the debt of a candidate for nomination or election
26 to public office. ‘Expenditure’ also includes contributions made by a candi-
27 date or political committee to or on behalf of any other candidate or political
28 committee.

29 “(9) ‘Filing officer’ means:

30 “(a) The Secretary of State:

1 “(A) Regarding a candidate for public office;

2 “(B) Regarding a statement required to be filed under ORS 260.118;

3 “(C) Regarding any measure; or

4 “(D) Regarding any political committee.

5 “(b) In the case of an irrigation district formed under ORS chapter 545,
6 ‘filing officer’ means:

7 “(A) The county clerk, regarding any candidate for office or any measure
8 at an irrigation district formation election where the proposed district is
9 situated wholly in one county;

10 “(B) The county clerk of the county in which the office of the secretary
11 of the proposed irrigation district will be located, regarding any candidate
12 for office or any measure at an irrigation district formation election where
13 the proposed district is situated in more than one county; or

14 “(C) The secretary of the irrigation district for any election other than
15 an irrigation district formation election.

16 “(10) ‘Independent expenditure’ means an expenditure by a person for a
17 communication in support of or in opposition to a clearly identified candi-
18 date or measure that is not made with the cooperation or with the prior
19 consent of, or in consultation with, or at the request or suggestion of, a
20 candidate or any agent or authorized committee of the candidate, or any
21 political committee or agent of a political committee supporting or opposing
22 a measure. For purposes of this subsection **and subsection (3) of this sec-**
23 **tion:**

24 “(a) ‘Agent’ means any person who has:

25 “(A) Actual oral or written authority, either express or implied, to make
26 or to authorize the making of expenditures on behalf of a candidate or on
27 behalf of a political committee supporting or opposing a measure; or

28 “(B) Been placed in a position within the campaign organization where
29 it would reasonably appear that in the ordinary course of campaign-related
30 activities the person may authorize expenditures.

1 “(b)(A) ‘Clearly identified’ means, with respect to candidates:
2 “(i) The name of the candidate involved appears;
3 “(ii) A photograph or drawing of the candidate appears; or
4 “(iii) The identity of the candidate is apparent by unambiguous reference.
5 “(B) ‘Clearly identified’ means, with respect to measures:
6 “(i) The ballot number of the measure appears;
7 “(ii) A description of the measure’s subject or effect appears; or
8 “(iii) The identity of the measure is apparent by unambiguous reference.
9 “(c) ‘Communication in support of or in opposition to a clearly identified
10 candidate or measure’ means:
11 “(A)(i) The communication, when taken as a whole and with limited ref-
12 erence to external events, such as the proximity to the election, could only
13 be interpreted by a reasonable person as containing advocacy for the election
14 or defeat of a clearly identified candidate for nomination or election to
15 public office, or the passage or defeat of a clearly identified measure; and
16 “(ii) The electoral portion of the communication is unmistakable, unam-
17 biguous and suggestive of only one meaning; or
18 “(B)(i) The communication involves aggregate expenditures of more than
19 \$250 by a person;
20 “(ii) The communication refers to a clearly identified candidate or meas-
21 ure that will appear on the ballot or to a political party; and
22 “(iii) The communication is published and disseminated to the relevant
23 electorate within 60 calendar days before a primary election, 120 calendar
24 days before a general election or 90 calendar days before an election other
25 than a primary election or a general election.
26 “(d) ‘Made with the cooperation or with the prior consent of, or in con-
27 sultation with, or at the request or suggestion of, a candidate or any agent
28 or authorized committee of the candidate, or any political committee or
29 agent of a political committee supporting or opposing a measure’:
30 “(A) Means any arrangement, coordination or direction by the candidate

1 or the candidate's agent, or by any political committee or agent of a political
2 committee supporting or opposing a measure, prior to the publication, dis-
3 tribution, display or broadcast of the communication. An expenditure shall
4 be presumed to be so made when it is:

5 “(i) Based on information about the plans, projects or needs of the can-
6 didate, or of the political committee supporting or opposing a measure, and
7 provided to the expending person by the candidate or by the candidate's
8 agent, or by any political committee or agent of a political committee sup-
9 porting or opposing a measure, with a view toward having an expenditure
10 made; or

11 “(ii) Made by or through any person who is or has been authorized to
12 raise or expend funds, who is or has been an officer of a political committee
13 authorized by the candidate or by a political committee or agent of a poli-
14 tical committee supporting or opposing a measure, or who is or has been
15 receiving any form of compensation or reimbursement from the candidate,
16 the candidate's principal campaign committee or agent or from any political
17 committee or agent of a political committee supporting or opposing a meas-
18 ure.

19 “(B) Does not mean providing to the expending person upon request a
20 copy of this chapter or any rules adopted by the Secretary of State relating
21 to independent expenditures.

22 “(11) ‘Initiative petition’ means a petition to initiate a measure for which
23 a prospective petition has been filed but that is not yet a measure.

24 “(12) ‘Judge’ means judge of the Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, circuit
25 court or the Oregon Tax Court.

26 “(13) ‘Mass mailing’ means more than 200 substantially similar pieces of
27 mail, but does not include a form letter or other mail that is sent in response
28 to an unsolicited request, letter or other inquiry.

29 “(14) ‘Measure’ includes any of the following submitted to the people for
30 their approval or rejection at an election:

1 “(a) A proposed law.

2 “(b) An Act or part of an Act of the Legislative Assembly.

3 “(c) A revision of or amendment to the Oregon Constitution.

4 “(d) Local, special or municipal legislation.

5 “(e) A proposition or question.

6 “(15) ‘Occupation’ means:

7 “(a) The nature of an individual’s principal business; and

8 “(b) If the individual is employed by another person, the business name

9 and address, by city and state, of the employer.

10 “(16) ‘Person’ means an individual, corporation, limited liability company,

11 labor organization, association, firm, partnership, joint stock company, club,

12 organization or other combination of individuals having collective capacity.

13 “(17) ‘Petition committee’ means an initiative, referendum or recall peti-

14 tion committee organized under ORS 260.118.

15 “(18) ‘Political committee’ means a combination of two or more individ-

16 uals, or a person other than an individual, that has:

17 “(a) Received a contribution for the purpose of supporting or opposing a

18 candidate, measure or political party; or

19 “(b) Made an expenditure for the purpose of supporting or opposing a

20 candidate, measure or political party. For purposes of this paragraph, an

21 expenditure does not include:

22 “(A) A contribution to a candidate or political committee that is required

23 to report the contribution on a statement filed under ORS 260.057 or 260.076

24 or a certificate filed under ORS 260.112; or

25 “(B) An independent expenditure for which a statement is required to be

26 filed by a person under ORS 260.044.

27 “(19) ‘Public office’ means any national, state, county, district, city office

28 or position, except a political party office, that is filled by the electors.

29 “(20) ‘Recall petition’ means a petition to recall a public officer for which

30 a prospective petition has been filed but that is not yet a measure.

1 “(21) ‘Referendum petition’ means a petition to refer a measure for which
2 a prospective petition has been filed but that is not yet a measure.

3 “(22) ‘Regular district election’ means the regular district election de-
4 scribed in ORS 255.335.

5 “(23) ‘State office’ means the office of Governor, Secretary of State, State
6 Treasurer, Attorney General, Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and In-
7 dustries, state Senator, state Representative, judge or district attorney.

8 **“SECTION 11. Chapter 3, Oregon Laws 2007, is repealed.**

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10 **“TRANSPARENCY IN ELECTIONS**

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12 **“SECTION 12. Sections 13 and 14a of this 2024 Act are added to and
13 made a part of ORS chapter 260.**

14 **“SECTION 13. (1) The Secretary of State by rule shall adopt an ad-
15 dition to the electronic filing system described in ORS 260.057 to be
16 used by:**

17 **“(a) Membership organizations;**

18 **“(b) Persons; and**

19 **“(c) Any combination of organizations or persons that has a col-
20 lective capacity and that is legally separate from other persons and
21 that makes independent expenditures.**

22 **“(2) The electronic filing system addition described in this section
23 shall be used by entities described in subsection (1) of this section to
24 report the original source of funds used to pay for candidate campaign
25 independent expenditures, to promote transparency and accountability
26 to voters.**

27 **“(3) Once an entity subject to this section has spent an aggregate
28 of \$50,000 on candidate campaign independent expenditures in an
29 election cycle, the entity must disclose the name of each person that
30 has contributed \$5,000 or more during the election cycle and the ori-**

1 **ginal source of funds used for the contribution. In identifying persons**
2 **that have made aggregate donations of \$5,000 or more per election cy-**
3 **cle, the entity may exclude:**

4 **“(a) Donations received from an affiliated charitable organization**
5 **that is tax exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue**
6 **Code;**

7 **“(b) Donations and grants received from foundations and other**
8 **persons that may not be used to make a communication in support**
9 **of or in opposition to a clearly identified candidate; and**

10 **“(c) Donations received from a source that demonstrates to the**
11 **Secretary of State that there is a reasonable probability that public**
12 **knowledge of the identity of the source would subject the source or the**
13 **family of the source to serious risk of physical harm.**

14 **“(4) An entity described in subsection (3) of this section must dis-**
15 **close the original source of funds of the full amount spent on the**
16 **entity’s aggregate independent expenditures.**

17 **“(5) Donations from donors who have contributed less than \$5,000**
18 **during the election cycle may be aggregated and reported on a ‘Mis-**
19 **cellaneous Under \$5,000’ category on the electronic filing system addi-**
20 **tion.**

21 **“(6)(a) Each donor that is separately reported under subsection (3)**
22 **of this section and that spends an aggregate of \$50,000 on independent**
23 **expenditures in an election cycle must also report the original source**
24 **of funds used for the donation.**

25 **“(b) If and to the extent a donor serves as a pass-through or inter-**
26 **mediary for the original source of the funds, both the pass-through**
27 **or intermediary and the original source of funds shall be reported.**

28 **“(c) For purposes of this section and section 14a of this 2024 Act and**
29 **ORS 260.266:**

30 **“(A) ‘Business income’ means:**

1 “(i) Funds received by a person in commercial transactions in the
2 ordinary course of the person’s regular trade, business or investments;

3 “(ii) Membership or union dues paid to the person, except dues ex-
4 ceeding \$5,000 from any person in a calendar year; and

5 “(iii) Contributions or donations paid to the person, except contri-
6 butions or donations exceeding \$5,000 from any person in a calendar
7 year.

8 “(B) ‘Original source of funds’ means business income or personal
9 funds and the person that earned or received the business income or
10 personal funds.

11 “(C) ‘Personal funds’ means income received by an individual as
12 salary or wages, other earned income from bona fide employment, in-
13 terest, dividends, royalties or proceeds from an individual’s personal
14 investments, bequests and income from testamentary trusts or other
15 trusts established by bequest. ‘Personal funds’ does not include any
16 funds received from any person for the purpose of influencing an
17 election.

18 “(7) The original sources of funds used to pay for candidate cam-
19 paign independent expenditures and persons associated with those or-
20 iginal sources of funds must be reported to the Secretary of State at
21 the same time and in the same manner as other contributions and
22 expenditures are reported.

23 “(8) Prior to the start of each election cycle, the Secretary of State
24 shall adjust the dollar amounts set forth in this section by the cumu-
25 lative change in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers,
26 West Region (All Items), as published by the Bureau of Labor Statis-
27 tics of the United States Department of Labor, or its successor, since
28 2024. The adjustments performed under this subsection shall be
29 rounded to the nearest \$10 increment.

30 “(9) The Secretary of State shall by rule establish reporting

1 **timelines and guidance for the reporting of independent expenditures.**

2 **“SECTION 14. On or before January 1, 2028, the Secretary of State**
3 **shall:**

4 **“(1) Create a web-based campaign finance dashboard that promotes**
5 **transparency and fosters research and analysis on campaign donations**
6 **and expenditures in this state. The dashboard shall include numeric**
7 **and visual representations of campaign finance activity in Oregon.**

8 **“(2) Update software related to campaign filings to promote trans-**
9 **parency, efficiency and modern best practices in campaign finance**
10 **reporting.**

11 **“SECTION 14a. (1) For elections occurring after January 1, 2028, the**
12 **Secretary of State shall:**

13 **“(a) At least 10 days before each election, release on the dashboard**
14 **a list of the 100 largest contributors to candidates or principal cam-**
15 **campaign committees, aggregated across all candidates.**

16 **“(b) Annually release a visual representation of contributions by**
17 **industry aggregated across all candidates and broken down by state-**
18 **wide, legislative and local office.**

19 **“(c) At least 10 days before each election, release on the dashboard**
20 **the original sources of funds of candidate campaign independent ex-**
21 **penditures as required by section 13 of this 2024 Act. The disclosures**
22 **must be set forth on the dashboard so as to promote transparency with**
23 **the public.**

24 **“(d) Annually display the average cost of campaigns by office and**
25 **the largest three categories for spending, broken down by statewide**
26 **office, legislative office, circuit court and district attorney offices and**
27 **local offices.**

28 **“(2) The Secretary of State may by rule establish other reports, data**
29 **and information to be included on the dashboard and the frequency**
30 **with which the information is reported, except that the information**

1 **must be reported at least annually. The secretary shall follow best**
2 **practices to promote efficiency when establishing reporting and filing**
3 **requirements.**

4 **“(3)(a) The Secretary of State shall biannually conduct a review**
5 **process of:**

6 **“(A) The reporting and filing of information required in order to**
7 **comply with the disclosures and content required on the dashboard;**
8 **and**

9 **“(B) Compliance by and the needs of stakeholders, including but**
10 **not limited to:**

11 **“(i) Persons who make and report donations to candidates or prin-**
12 **ciple campaign committees;**

13 **“(ii) Persons who make independent expenditures;**

14 **“(iii) Entities organized under section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue**
15 **Code;**

16 **“(iv) Candidates; and**

17 **“(v) Media organizations.**

18 **“(b) The secretary shall report the findings of the biannual review**
19 **to the Legislative Assembly and may also report on improvements**
20 **undertaken or planned by the secretary based on the findings of the**
21 **review.**

22 **“(4) As used in this section, ‘dashboard’ means the web-based**
23 **dashboard described in section 14 of this 2024 Act.**

24 **“SECTION 15. ORS 260.266 is amended to read:**

25 **“260.266. (1) Except as otherwise provided by a local provision, a com-**
26 **munication in support of or in opposition to a clearly identified candidate**
27 **must state the name of the persons that paid for 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 communi-**
30 **cation in support of or in opposition to a clearly identified candidate by a**

1 political committee or **recall** petition committee **that costs at least \$10,000**
2 **for the entire placement of the communication and substantially sim-**
3 **ilar communications** must state:

4 “(A) The name of the political committee or petition committee; and

5 “(B) The names of the [*five*] **four** persons that have made the largest ag-
6 gregate contributions of \$10,000 or more to the committee in the election
7 cycle in which the communication is made.

8 “(b) A communication in support of or in opposition to a clearly identified
9 candidate by an individual, a for-profit business entity or a candidate or the
10 principal campaign committee of a candidate must state the name of the in-
11 dividual, for-profit business entity or candidate.

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

15 “(i) The name of the person; and

16 “(ii) Except as provided in subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, the names
17 of the [*five*] **four** persons that have made the largest aggregate donations of
18 \$10,000 or more to the person in the election cycle in which the communi-
19 cation is made.

20 “(B) In identifying persons that have made aggregate donations of \$10,000
21 or more, a person described in this paragraph may exclude:

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

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

27 “(d) Notwithstanding [*paragraphs (a) to*] **paragraph (b) or** (c) of this
28 subsection, a digital communication may state only the name of the person
29 that made the communication if the digital communication includes an active
30 link to a website that prominently displays the additional information re-

1 quired by this subsection.

2 **“(3) If a candidate has contributed more than \$20,000 to the**
3 **candidate’s own campaign, a communication subject to this section**
4 **must include a statement indicating that the candidate has contrib-**
5 **uted more than \$20,000 to the candidate’s own campaign.**

6 “[3] (4) A person that makes communications in support of or in oppo-
7 sition to a clearly identified candidate must consider an anonymous donation
8 of \$1,000 or more from a single person to be a donation that may not be used
9 to make a communication in support of or in opposition to a clearly identi-
10 fied candidate.

11 “[4(a)] (5)(a) If a person is required to disclose the names of [five] **four**
12 persons under subsection (2)(a)(B) or (c)(A)(ii) of this section and more than
13 [five] **four** persons qualify as having made the largest aggregate contribu-
14 tions or donations, the person shall disclose the [five] **four** applicable per-
15 sons whose contributions or donations were made closest to the date of
16 initial printing or transmission of the communication.

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

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

28 **“(6) A communication in support of or in opposition to a clearly**
29 **identified candidate that costs at least \$10,000 must include an elec-**
30 **tronic, printed or aural link to the appropriate site on the electronic**

1 **filing system described in ORS 260.057, that identifies the original**
2 **sources of funds to the entity that made the expenditure. The link:**

3 **“(a) Shall be an active link if the communication is in digital form;**

4 **“(b) Shall be a printed or televised rendition of the link if the**
5 **communication is in printed or televised form; and**

6 **“(c) Shall be read as part of the communication if the communi-**
7 **cation is on radio or other aural format. The Secretary of State shall**
8 **strive for brevity and clarity in creating links to be read under this**
9 **paragraph.**

10 **“(7) The Secretary of State shall by rule provide technical specifi-**
11 **cations for the links described in subsection (6) of this section.**

12 **“[(5)] (8) This section does not apply to:**

13 **“(a) Candidates for federal office.**

14 **“(b) Candidates other than those described in paragraph (a) of this sub-**
15 **section who are not required to use the electronic filing system adopted un-**
16 **der ORS 260.057 to file statements of contributions received or expenditures**
17 **made.**

18 **“(c) Petition committees that are not required to use the electronic filing**
19 **system adopted under ORS 260.057 to file statements of contributions re-**
20 **ceived or expenditures made.**

21 **“(d) Political committees that are not required to use the electronic filing**
22 **system adopted under ORS 260.057 to file statements of contributions re-**
23 **ceived or expenditures made.**

24 **“(e) A person that makes independent expenditures and that is exempt**
25 **under ORS 260.044 from being required to file statements of independent ex-**
26 **penditures using the electronic filing system adopted under ORS 260.057.**

27 **“(f) A communication that is excluded from the definition of**
28 **‘expenditure’ under ORS 260.007.**

29 **“(g) Items of de minimis value relating to a candidate, including but not**
30 **limited to:**

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

2 “(B) Skywriting; or

3 “(C) Wearable merchandise.

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

6 “[6] (9) The Secretary of State by rule shall prescribe the form of
7 statements required on communications described in this section. Rules
8 adopted under this subsection must ensure that the information required to
9 be included in communications under this section is:

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

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

14 “[7] (10) As used in this section:

15 “(a) ‘Clearly identified’ has the meaning given that term in ORS 260.005
16 (10)(b).

17 “(b)(A) Except as provided in subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, ‘com-
18 munication in support of or in opposition to a clearly identified candidate’
19 means:

20 “(i)(I) The communication, when taken as a whole and with limited ref-
21 erence to external events, such as the proximity to the election, could only
22 be interpreted by a reasonable person as containing advocacy for the election
23 or defeat of a clearly identified candidate for nomination or election to
24 public office; and

25 “(II) The electoral portion of the communication is unmistakable, unam-
26 biguous and suggestive of only one meaning; or

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

29 “(II) The communication refers to a clearly identified candidate who will
30 appear on the ballot; and

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

3 “(B)(i) ‘Communication in support of or in opposition to a clearly identi-
4 fied candidate’ includes but is not limited to communications distributed via
5 print, telephone, radio, television or the Internet.

6 “(ii) ‘Communication in support of or in opposition to a clearly identified
7 candidate’ does not include newspaper editorials, printed advertisements with
8 a fair market value of less than \$500 or communications made via telephone
9 that have a fair market value of less than \$500.

10 “(c)(A) ‘Donation’ means the gift or transfer of moneys or any other item
11 of value to a person subject to subsection (2)(c)(A) of this section, including
12 any membership fees, dues or assessments.

13 “(B) ‘Donation’ does not include moneys or any other item of value re-
14 ceived by a person subject to subsection (2)(c)(A) of this section in the or-
15 dinary course of a trade or business conducted by the person.

16 “[*d*] ‘Election cycle’ means the period of time starting on the day after the
17 date of a general election and ending on the date of the next general
18 election.]

19 “[*e*] (d) ‘Local provision’ means a charter provision, ordinance, resolu-
20 tion or other provision adopted by a city, county or other local government.

21 **“SECTION 16. ORS 260.275, 260.281 and 260.285 are repealed.**

22 **“SECTION 17.** ORS 260.402 is amended to read:

23 “260.402. (1) A person may not directly or indirectly reimburse a person
24 for making a contribution or donation, or make a contribution or donation
25 in any name other than that of the person that in truth provides the con-
26 tribution or donation, to:

27 “(a) Any other person, relating to a nomination or election of any candi-
28 date or the support of or opposition to any measure;

29 “(b) Any political committee;

30 “(c) [*Any covered organization required to file a donor identification list*

1 *under ORS 260.281* **Any entity required by section 13 of this 2024 Act**
2 **to disclose the original source of funds used to pay for candidate**
3 **campaign independent expenditures; or**

4 “(d) A petition committee required to file a statement under ORS 260.118.

5 “**(2) A person may not establish an entity for the purpose of ob-**
6 **scuring the original source of funds used to pay for candidate cam-**
7 **paign independent expenditures or evading contribution limits.**

8 “[~~(2)~~] **(3)** Except as provided in subsection [~~(3)~~] **(4)** of this section, a per-
9 son, political committee, [*covered organization or*] petition committee **or en-**
10 **tity required to make a disclosure under section 13 of this 2024 Act** may
11 not knowingly receive a contribution or donation prohibited under sub-
12 section (1) of this section or enter or cause the contribution or donation to
13 be entered in accounts or records in another name than that of the person
14 that actually provided the contribution or donation.

15 “[~~(3)~~] **(4)** If a person receives a contribution from a political committee,
16 the person may enter the contribution into accounts or records as received
17 from the political committee.

18 “[~~(4)~~] **(5)** As used in this section, [*‘covered organization’ and ‘donation’*
19 *have the meanings given those terms in ORS 260.275*] **‘original source of**
20 **funds’ has the meaning given that term in section 13 of this 2024 Act.**

21 **“SECTION 17a. Section 17b of this 2024 Act is added to and made a**
22 **part of ORS chapter 260.**

23 **“SECTION 17b. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, an**
24 **incumbent holder of a public office who intends to seek reelection**
25 **shall file a nominating petition or a declaration of candidacy for an**
26 **additional term of the same public office at least seven days prior to**
27 **the corresponding filing deadline for nonincumbent candidates for that**
28 **public office.**

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30 **“COMPLAINTS AND PENALTIES**

1 **“SECTION 18.** ORS 260.232 is amended to read:

2 “260.232. (1) The Secretary of State may impose a civil penalty as provided
3 in this section, in addition to any other penalty that may be imposed, for:

4 “(a) Failure to file a statement or certificate required to be filed under
5 ORS 260.044, 260.057, 260.076, 260.078, 260.083, 260.112 or 260.118.

6 “(b) Failure to include in a statement filed under ORS 260.044, 260.057,
7 260.076, 260.078, 260.083, 260.112 or 260.118 the information required under
8 ORS 260.044, 260.057, 260.076, 260.083 or 260.118.

9 **“(c) Failure to comply with section 3, 4, 5, 5a, 9 or 13 of this 2024**
10 **Act.**

11 “(2)(a) If a person required to file has not filed a statement or certificate
12 complying with applicable provisions of ORS 260.044, 260.057, 260.076, 260.078,
13 260.083, 260.085, 260.112 or 260.118 within the time specified in ORS 260.044,
14 260.057, 260.076, 260.078 or 260.118, the Secretary of State by first class mail
15 or electronically shall notify the person or elector designated under ORS
16 260.042 or 260.118 that a penalty may be imposed and that the person has 20
17 days from the service date on the notice to request a hearing before the
18 Secretary of State.

19 “(b) If the person required to file is a candidate or the principal campaign
20 committee of a candidate, the Secretary of State shall send the notice de-
21 scribed in paragraph (a) of this subsection by first class mail or electron-
22 ically to the candidate. The notice shall be used for purposes of determining
23 the deadline for requesting a hearing under subsection (3) of this section.

24 “(3) A hearing on whether to impose a civil penalty and to consider cir-
25 cumstances in mitigation shall be held by the Secretary of State:

26 “(a) Upon request of the person against whom the penalty may be as-
27 sessed, if the request is made not later than the 20th day after the service
28 date on the notice sent under subsection (2) of this section;

29 “(b) Upon request of the filing officer with whom a statement or certifi-
30 cate was required to be filed but was not filed; or

1 “(c) Upon the Secretary of State’s own motion.

2 “(4) A hearing under subsection (3) of this section shall be held not later
3 than 45 days after the deadline for the person against whom the penalty may
4 be assessed to request a hearing. However, if requested by the person
5 against whom the penalty may be assessed, a hearing under subsection (3)
6 of this section shall be held not later than 60 days after the deadline for the
7 person against whom the penalty may be assessed to request a hearing.

8 “(5) The Secretary of State shall issue an order not later than 90 days
9 after a hearing or after the deadline for requesting a hearing if no hearing
10 is held.

11 “(6) The person against whom a penalty may be assessed need not appear
12 in person at a hearing held under this section, but instead may submit
13 written testimony and other evidence, sworn to before a notary public, to the
14 Secretary of State for entry in the hearing record. The testimony and other
15 evidence must be received by the secretary not later than three business days
16 before the day of the hearing and may be submitted electronically.

17 “(7) **A person subject to this section who has filed a late or insuffi-**
18 **cient statement of transactions may self-report the late or insufficient**
19 **statement and pay the penalty to the Secretary of State. Upon receipt**
20 **of a corrected statement and payment of the penalty due, the secre-**
21 **tary may accept and record the penalty without further investigation**
22 **under this section. Nothing in this subsection prevents the secretary**
23 **from continuing to investigate noncompliance with the requirements**
24 **of this section or section 3, 4, 5, 5a, 9, 13 or 17b of this 2024 Act or ORS**
25 **260.042, 260.044, 260.057, 260.076, 260.078, 260.083, 260.112, 260.118 or**
26 **260.266.**

27 “[7)] (8) A civil penalty imposed under this section may not be more than
28 the following:

29 “(a) For failure to file a statement or certificate required to be filed under
30 ORS 260.044, 260.057, 260.076, 260.078, 260.083, 260.112 or 260.118, 10 percent

1 of the total amount of the contribution or expenditure required to be in-
2 cluded in the statement or certificate; or

3 “(b) For each failure to include in a statement filed under ORS 260.044,
4 260.057, 260.076, 260.078, 260.083, 260.112 or 260.118 the information required
5 under ORS 260.044, 260.057, 260.076, 260.083 or 260.118, 10 percent of the total
6 amount of the contribution or expenditure required to be included in the
7 statement.

8 “[8] (9) The Secretary of State, upon a showing of mitigating circum-
9 stances, may reduce the amount of the penalty described in subsection [(7)]
10 (8) of this section.

11 “[9] (10) Except as otherwise provided by this section, civil penalties
12 under this section shall be imposed as provided in ORS 183.745.

13 **“SECTION 19.** ORS 260.345 is amended to read:

14 “260.345. (1) Any elector may file with any filing officer a written com-
15 plaint alleging that a violation of an election law or rule adopted by the
16 Secretary of State under ORS chapters 246 to 260 has occurred and stating
17 the reason for believing that the violation occurred and any evidence relat-
18 ing to it. A complaint and any evidence relating to it may be filed electron-
19 ically. A complaint alleging a violation involving the Secretary of State, a
20 candidate for the office of Secretary of State, or any political committee or
21 person supporting the Secretary of State or a candidate for the office of
22 Secretary of State may be filed with the Attorney General. The Secretary of
23 State or Attorney General shall not accept an anonymous complaint.

24 “(2) The Secretary of State by rule shall prescribe the procedure for pro-
25 cessing a complaint filed with any person other than the Secretary of State.
26 If the complaint concerns the Secretary of State, any candidate for the office
27 of the Secretary of State, or any political committee or person supporting the
28 candidacy of the Secretary of State or of another person for the office of
29 Secretary of State, the complaint and any additional information relating to
30 the complaint shall be sent to the Attorney General. **An investigation must**

1 **be commenced within 30 days of receiving the complaint and a finding**
2 **must be issued within 60 days of receiving the complaint.**

3 “(3) Upon receipt of a complaint under subsection (1) or (2) of this section
4 the Secretary of State or Attorney General immediately shall examine the
5 complaint to determine whether a violation of an election law or rule has
6 occurred and shall make any investigation the Secretary of State or Attorney
7 General considers necessary. Except as provided in this subsection, within
8 three business days of determining that an investigation is necessary to de-
9 termine whether a violation of an election law or rule has occurred, the
10 Secretary of State or Attorney General shall notify the person who is the
11 subject of the complaint that an investigation will take place. If the Secre-
12 tary of State or Attorney General receives a complaint or complaints in-
13 volving 10 or more individuals, political committees or petition committees
14 in any 48-hour period, the Secretary of State or Attorney General need not
15 notify the persons who are the subjects of those complaints within three
16 business days of receiving the complaints but shall notify those persons not
17 later than 10 business days after determining that an investigation is neces-
18 sary to determine whether a violation of election law or rule has occurred.

19 “(4) If the Secretary of State believes after an investigation under sub-
20 section (3) of this section that a violation of an election law or rule has
21 occurred, the secretary:

22 “(a) In the case of a violation that is subject to a penalty under ORS
23 260.993, immediately shall report the findings to the Attorney General and
24 request prosecution. If the violation involves the Attorney General, a candi-
25 date for that office or a political committee or person supporting or opposing
26 the Attorney General or a candidate for that office, the Secretary of State
27 shall appoint another prosecutor for that purpose;

28 “(b) In the case of a violation not subject to a penalty under ORS 260.537
29 or 260.993, may impose a civil penalty under ORS 260.995; or

30 “(c) In the case of a violation under ORS 260.537, may institute civil

1 proceedings in the manner described in ORS 260.537.

2 “(5) Upon receipt of a complaint or report under subsection (1), (2) or (4)
3 of this section involving an alleged violation subject to a penalty under ORS
4 260.993 or an alleged violation of ORS 260.537, the Attorney General or other
5 prosecutor immediately shall examine the complaint or report to determine
6 whether a violation of an election law has occurred. If the Attorney General
7 or prosecutor determines that a violation has occurred, the Attorney General
8 or prosecutor immediately shall begin prosecution or civil proceedings in the
9 name of the state. The Attorney General or other prosecutor shall have the
10 same powers in any county of this state as the district attorney for the
11 county.

12 “(6) Upon receipt of a complaint under subsection (1) or (2) of this section
13 involving an alleged violation of an election law or rule not subject to a
14 penalty under ORS 260.537 or 260.993, the Attorney General shall examine
15 the complaint to determine whether a violation of an election law or rule
16 has occurred and shall make any investigation the Attorney General con-
17 siders necessary. If the Attorney General believes after an investigation that
18 a violation of an election law or rule has occurred, the Attorney General
19 may impose a civil penalty under ORS 260.995.

20 “(7) In the case of an alleged violation subject to a civil penalty under
21 ORS 260.995 or an alleged violation of ORS 260.537, a complaint shall be filed
22 by an elector under this section no later than 90 days following the election
23 at which a violation of an election law or rule is alleged to have occurred,
24 or 90 days following the date the violation of an election law or rule is al-
25 leged to have occurred, whichever is later.

26 “(8) A filing officer having reason to believe that a violation of an
27 election law or rule has occurred shall proceed promptly as though the offi-
28 cer had received a complaint. Except as provided in ORS 260.234, a filing
29 officer shall proceed under this subsection no later than two years following
30 the election at which a violation of an election law or rule is alleged to have

1 occurred, or two years following the date the violation of an election law
2 or rule is alleged to have occurred, whichever is later. If a filing officer has
3 not proceeded within two years because of fraud, deceit, misleading repre-
4 sentation or the filing officer could not have reasonably discovered the al-
5 leged violation, the filing officer shall proceed no later than five years
6 following the election at which a violation of an election law or rule is al-
7 leged to have occurred, or five years following the date the violation of an
8 election law or rule is alleged to have occurred, whichever is later.

9 **“(9) In the case of a complaint alleging a violation of the original**
10 **source of funds disclosure requirements of section 13 of this 2024 Act,**
11 **the complainant shall be notified of the outcome of any investigation.**

12 **“(10)(a) In the case of a complaint alleging a violation of an election**
13 **law or rule for which a civil penalty of greater than \$10,000 may be**
14 **imposed, the complainant shall be notified of the outcome of any in-**
15 **vestigation and may request an administrative hearing. If the**
16 **complainant requests a hearing under this subsection, a contested case**
17 **hearing under ORS 183.413 to 183.470 must be held.**

18 **“(b) The contested case hearing officer shall prepare and issue a**
19 **final order for any contested case hearing held under this subsection.**

20 **“SECTION 19a.** ORS 260.715 is amended to read:

21 “260.715. (1) A person may not knowingly make a false statement, oath
22 or affidavit when a statement, oath or affidavit is required under the election
23 laws.

24 “(2) A person may not request a ballot in a name other than the person’s
25 own name.

26 “(3) A person may not vote or attempt to vote more than once at any
27 election held on the same date.

28 “(4) A person may not vote or attempt to vote both in an election held
29 in this state and in another state on the same date.

30 “(5) A person, except an elections official in performance of duties, may

1 not willfully alter or destroy a ballot cast at an election or the returns of
2 an election.

3 “(6) A person may not willfully place a fraudulent ballot among the genu-
4 uine ballots.

5 “(7) A person may not falsely write anything purporting to be written by
6 an elections official in performance of duties on the ballot.

7 “(8) A person may not commit theft of a ballot or tally or return sheet,
8 or willfully hinder or delay the delivery of the tally or return sheet to the
9 county clerk, or fraudulently break open a sealed tally or return sheet of the
10 election.

11 “(9)(a) A person may not:

12 “(A) Manufacture or knowingly use a fraudulent ballot return identifica-
13 tion envelope or secrecy envelope; or

14 “(B) Sell, make an offer with the actual intent to sell, purchase or make
15 an offer with the actual intent to purchase, for money or other valuable
16 consideration, any official ballot, replacement ballot, ballot return identifi-
17 cation envelope or secrecy envelope.

18 “(b) As used in this subsection, ‘ballot return identification envelope’ and
19 ‘secrecy envelope’ mean those envelopes used to return ballots to the county
20 clerk.

21 “(10) **A person may not establish an entity for the purpose of evad-**
22 **ing contribution limits or disclosure requirements.**

23 “**SECTION 20.** ORS 260.995 is amended to read:

24 “260.995. (1) Except as provided in [*subsection (2)*] **subsections (2) to (4)**
25 of this section, following an investigation under ORS 260.345, the Secretary
26 of State or Attorney General may impose a civil penalty not to exceed \$1,000
27 for each violation of any provision of Oregon Revised Statutes relating to
28 the conduct of any election, any rule adopted by the secretary under ORS
29 chapters 246 to 260 or any other matter preliminary to or relating to an
30 election, for which a civil penalty is not otherwise provided.

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

3 “(a)(A) Except as provided in subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, \$1,000
4 plus the amount converted to personal use for each violation of ORS 260.407;

5 **or**

6 “(B) Two times the amount of the penalty provision for violating a
7 nondisclosure agreement that is contained within each nondisclosure agree-
8 ment entered into in violation of ORS 260.407 or 260.413;

9 “(b) 150 percent of the total cost of printing, transmitting or distributing
10 a communication in support of or in opposition to a clearly identified can-
11 didate if the disclosure requirements set forth in ORS 260.266 are not met;
12 or

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

15 **“(3)(a) Except as provided in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this sub-**
16 **section, the Secretary of State or the Attorney General may impose a**
17 **civil penalty on the recipient of a contribution that exceeds the limits**
18 **of section 4 or 5 of this 2024 Act. The amount of the civil penalty to**
19 **be imposed shall be at least equal to the amount of the unlawful con-**
20 **tribution.**

21 **“(b) The recipient of a contribution that violates the contribution**
22 **limits of section 4 or 5 of this 2024 Act may remedy the violation by**
23 **refunding to the contributor an amount that renders the contribution**
24 **in compliance with applicable contribution limits under section 4 or 5**
25 **of this 2024 Act. For this paragraph to apply, the refund must be made**
26 **to the contributor within 14 days of receipt of the unlawful contribu-**
27 **tion.**

28 **“(c) If paragraph (b) of this subsection does not apply, the recipient**
29 **of a contribution that violates the contribution limits of section 4 or**
30 **5 of this 2024 Act may reduce the penalty otherwise applicable under**

1 **this subsection by 50 percent, if the recipient refunds to the contribu-**
2 **tor an amount that renders the contribution in compliance with sec-**
3 **tion 4 or 5 of this 2024 Act within 14 days of the date the recipient**
4 **reasonably should have known that the violation occurred.**

5 **“(d) The Secretary of State shall adopt rules under this subsection**
6 **establishing enhanced penalties for successive knowing and willful vi-**
7 **olations of the contribution limit provisions of section 4 or 5 of this**
8 **2024 Act.**

9 **“(4)(a) The Secretary of State or the Attorney General may impose**
10 **a civil penalty on a person subject to the reporting requirements of**
11 **section 13 of this 2024 Act and that is violating those requirements.**
12 **The penalty to be imposed shall be not less than one-tenth of, nor**
13 **more than four times, the total amount of contribution or expenditure**
14 **that was not properly disclosed or disclaimed.**

15 **“(b) The Secretary of State shall adopt rules under this subsection**
16 **establishing enhanced penalties for successive knowing and willful vi-**
17 **olations of the disclosure provisions of section 13 of this 2024 Act.**

18 **“[(3)] (5) Except as otherwise provided by this section, civil penalties**
19 **under this section shall be imposed as provided in ORS 183.745. In addition**
20 **to the requirements of ORS 183.745, the notice shall include:**

21 **“(a) A statement of the authority and jurisdiction under which the hear-**
22 **ing is to be held; and**

23 **“(b) If the person is an agency, corporation or an unincorporated associ-**
24 **ation, a statement that such person must be represented by an attorney li-**
25 **censed in Oregon, unless the person is a political committee which may be**
26 **represented by any officer identified in the most recent statement of organ-**
27 **ization filed with the filing officer.**

28 **“[(4)] (6) A hearing on whether to impose a civil penalty and to consider**
29 **circumstances in mitigation shall be held by the secretary or Attorney Gen-**
30 **eral:**

1 “(a) Upon request of the person against whom the penalty may be as-
2 sessed, if the request is made not later than the 20th day after the service
3 date on the notice sent under subsection [(3)] (5) of this section; or

4 “(b) Upon the secretary’s or Attorney General’s own motion.

5 “[(5)] (7) The person against whom a penalty may be assessed need not
6 appear in person at a hearing held under this section, but instead may sub-
7 mit written testimony or other evidence, sworn to before a notary public, to
8 the secretary or Attorney General for entry in the hearing record. The tes-
9 timony or other evidence must be received by the secretary or Attorney
10 General not later than three business days before the day of the hearing and
11 may be submitted electronically.

12 “[(6)] (8) All hearings under this section shall be held not later than 45
13 days after the deadline for the person against whom the penalty may be as-
14 sessed to request a hearing. However, if requested by the person against
15 whom the penalty may be assessed, a hearing under subsection [(4)] (6) of
16 this section shall be held not later than 60 days after the deadline for the
17 person against whom the penalty may be assessed to request a hearing.

18 “[(7)] (9) The secretary or Attorney General shall issue an order not later
19 than 90 days after a hearing or after the deadline for requesting a hearing
20 if no hearing is held.

21 “[(8)] (10) All penalties recovered under this section shall be paid into the
22 State Treasury and credited to the General Fund.

23 “[(9)] (11) In the case of a civil penalty imposed under this section for a
24 violation of ORS 260.407, the person against whom the penalty is assessed:

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

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

27 “(c) May not pay the civil penalty from contributions received by a can-
28 didate, a candidate’s principal campaign committee, a political committee or
29 a petition committee.

30 “**SECTION 20a.** ORS 162.005 is amended to read:

1 “162.005. As used in ORS 162.005 to 162.425, unless the context requires
2 otherwise:

3 “(1) ‘Pecuniary benefit’ means gain or advantage to the beneficiary or to
4 a third person pursuant to the desire or consent of the beneficiary, in the
5 form of money, property, commercial interests or economic gain, but does not
6 include a political campaign contribution reported in accordance with ORS
7 chapter 260, **unless the contribution is made in exchange for a promise**
8 **to perform or not perform an official act.**

9 “(2) ‘Public servant’ means:

10 “(a) A public official as defined in ORS 244.020;

11 “(b) A person serving as an advisor, consultant or assistant at the request
12 or direction of the state, any political subdivision thereof or of any govern-
13 mental instrumentality within the state;

14 “(c) A person nominated, elected or appointed to become a public servant,
15 although not yet occupying the position; and

16 “(d) Jurors.

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18 “IMPLEMENTATION AND REPORTING REQUIREMENT

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20 “**SECTION 21.** (1) **The Secretary of State shall hire a full-time em-**
21 **ployee to provide voter education, support and outreach regarding**
22 **Oregon’s campaign finance laws, including the laws regarding political**
23 **contributions set forth in sections 2 to 5b and 9 of this 2024 Act.**

24 “(2) **The Secretary of State shall provide technical assistance to**
25 **candidates, campaigns and the public to ensure a smooth transition**
26 **to the newly enacted contribution limit requirements set forth in**
27 **sections 2 to 5b and 9 of this 2024 Act.**

28 “**SECTION 22.** **It is the intent of the Legislative Assembly that all**
29 **parts of this 2024 Act are independent and that if any part of this 2024**
30 **Act is held unconstitutional, all remaining parts shall remain in force.**

1 **“SECTION 23. (1) Sections 2 to 5a and 9 of this 2024 Act and the**
2 **amendments to ORS 260.005 and 260.042 by sections 6 and 10 of this 2024**
3 **Act become operative on January 1, 2027.**

4 **“(2) Sections 13 and 14a of this 2024 Act and the amendments to ORS**
5 **260.266 by section 15 of this 2024 Act become operative on January 1,**
6 **2028.**

7 **“(3) The amendments to ORS 260.232, 260.345, 260.715 and 260.995 by**
8 **sections 18, 19, 19a and 20 of this 2024 Act become operative on January**
9 **1, 2027.**

10 **“(4) Section 17b of this 2024 Act becomes operative on January 1,**
11 **2026.**

12 **“SECTION 24. (1)(a) The Secretary of State may take any action**
13 **before the operative dates specified in section 23 of this 2024 Act that**
14 **is necessary for the Secretary of State to exercise, on and after the**
15 **operative dates specified in section 23 of this 2024 Act, all of the duties,**
16 **functions and powers conferred on the Secretary of State by this 2024**
17 **Act.**

18 **“(b) No later than May 1, 2025, the Secretary of State shall propose**
19 **revisions to the manual on campaign finance that is adopted by ad-**
20 **ministrative rule and made publicly available on the secretary’s**
21 **website to ensure that it incorporates and describes the contents of**
22 **this 2024 Act in a clear and straightforward manner.**

23 **“(c) No later than September 15, 2025, the Secretary of State shall**
24 **propose rules necessary to implement the provisions of this 2024 Act.**

25 **“(d) No later than January 1, 2026, the Secretary of State shall re-**
26 **port to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly responsible**
27 **for campaign finance on the actions taken by the secretary to imple-**
28 **ment the provisions of this 2024 Act.**

29 **“(2)(a) A political committee may take any action before the oper-**
30 **ative dates set forth in section 23 of this 2024 Act that is necessary for**

1 the political committee to be in compliance with the requirements set
2 forth in ORS 260.042, as amended by section 6 of this 2024 Act, no later
3 than the relevant operative date set forth in section 23 of this 2024 Act.

4 “(b) The Secretary of State shall reorganize as a multicandidate
5 political committee any active political committee that remains or-
6 ganized to operate as a miscellaneous political committee on March
7 31, 2027. Any moneys in the bank accounts of a political committee
8 described in this paragraph shall transfer to the newly organized
9 multicandidate political committee and may be used in the same
10 manner as any other moneys contributed to the multicandidate poli-
11 tical committee.

12 “(c) The Secretary of State shall by rule establish a process that
13 provides a miscellaneous political committee that was reorganized
14 under paragraph (b) of this subsection with a single opportunity to
15 reorganize as a measure political committee. The process shall ensure
16 that any moneys in the bank accounts of a political committee de-
17 scribed in this paragraph transfer to the newly organized measure
18 political committee and may be used in the same manner as any other
19 moneys contributed to the measure political committee.

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21 “CAPTIONS

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23 “SECTION 25. The unit captions used in this 2024 Act are provided
24 only for the convenience of the reader and do not become part of the
25 statutory law of this state or express any legislative intent in the
26 enactment of this 2024 Act.

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28 “EFFECTIVE DATE

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30 “SECTION 26. This 2024 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the

1 **date on which the 2024 regular session of the Eighty-second Legislative**
2 **Assembly adjourns sine die.”**

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