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STATE	CORPORATE CONTRIBUTIONS	PAC CONTRIBUTIONS	INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS
Alabama	Unlimited.	Unlimited, except PAC-to-PAC (including PAC-to-party) transfers are prohibited with limited exceptions. Please note that these restrictions on PAC giving are the subject of ongoing litigation.	Unlimited.
Alaska	Prohibited.	Limited to \$1,000 per candidate per calendar year; and \$1,000 to a political party per calendar year.	Limited to \$500 per year to a candidate or PAC and \$5,000 per year to any political party. Total non-resident contributions may not exceed \$20,000 for governor and lt. governor candidates, \$5,000 for state senate candidates, and \$3,000 for state House candidates per year.



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CORPORATE **INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS STATE PAC CONTRIBUTIONS CONTRIBUTIONS** Arizona Contributions to candidates are A corporation's payment of its Limited to \$5,100 per connected PAC's administrative statewide candidate or prohibited, but contributions to parties and PACs are permissible expenses is not a contribution and legislative candidate and and unlimited, though recipient thus is not reportable. \$6,350 per local candidate parties and PACs may not use (including judges in 13 Contributions to political parties corporate contributions to counties) per election cycle and PACs are unlimited. PACs contribute to candidates. (meaning the two-year qualifying as "mega PACs" are election cycle for state limited to \$10,100 per statewide candidates, and the primary candidate or legislative candidate and general together for local and \$12,600 per local candidate candidates). (including judges in 13 counties) Contributions to political per election cycle (meaning the two-year election cycle for state parties and PACs are candidates, and the primary and unlimited. general together for local candidates). Note state judges and judges in two counties are appointed. The PAC must provide a certification of its mega PAC status with its contribution. A PAC must have 500 or more individuals contributing at least \$10 in the four-year period prior to applying to become a "mega" PAC to contribute the above limits. If a PAC does not meet these requirements, the limits are the same as those for an individual. Arkansas Contributions to candidates are Limited to \$2,700 per candidate per Limited to \$2,700 per prohibited. Limited to \$5,000 to a election; and \$5,000 to a state PAC candidate per election; and state PAC (including a county (including a county political party \$5,000 to a state PAC political party committee) per committee) per year. Contributions (including a county political year. Contributions to political to political parties are unlimited. party committee) per year. Contributions to political parties are unlimited. parties are unlimited.



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California	Contributions are limited to: \$4,400 per election to a state legislative candidate; \$29,200 per election to gubernatorial candidate; and \$7,300 per election to other statewide candidates (i.e, Lt. Gov., Atty. General., Ins. Comm'r, Controller, Secty. of State, Treasurer, Sup. of Public Instr., Board of Equalization). May contribute up to \$36,500 to a state political party committee and \$7,300 to a state PAC per calendar year. Contributions are unlimited to a PAC or party's restricted account (i.e., administrative fund not used to benefit state candidates).	For current limits and restrictions, see discussion under corporate contributions.	For current limits and restrictions, see discussion under corporate contributions.
Colorado	Prohibited from contributing to state and local (except home rule counties and municipalities which have laws addressing campaign finance) candidates and political parties. May contribute \$575 per two-year House of Representatives cycle to a PAC.	Limited per election: \$575 to Governor and Lt. Governor jointly; \$575 to Secretary of State, State Treasurer or Attorney General; and \$200 to State Senator, State Representative, State Board of Education, University of Colorado regent, or District Attorney. Contributions to political parties are limited to \$3,650 in the aggregate per year at the state, county, district and local level combined, not to exceed \$3,050 per year at the state level.	Limited per election: \$575 to Governor and Lt. Governor jointly; \$575 to Secretary of State, State Treasurer or Attorney General; and \$200 to State Senator, State Representative, State Board of Education, University of Colorado regent, or District Attorney. Contributions to political parties are limited to \$3,650 in the aggregate per year at the state, county, district and local level combined, not to exceed \$3,050 per year at the state level. Contributions to a PAC are limited to \$575 per two-year House of Representatives cycle.



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CORPORATE **INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS STATE PAC CONTRIBUTIONS CONTRIBUTIONS** Limited to \$5,000 to governor; Connecticut Prohibited. Limited to \$3,500 to gover-\$3,000 per candidate for other nor; \$2,000 per candidate for statewide offices; \$2,000 to sheriff; other statewide offices; \$1,500 per candidate for state sena-\$1,000 to sheriff or chief tor, probate judge or chief elected executive municipal officer; official of a municipality; \$750 per \$1,000 per candidate for candidate for state representative; state senator or probate and \$375 to other municipal office judge; \$250 per candidate for candidate per election. state representative or other Contributions from a PAC to all municipal office candidate candidates may not aggregate to per election. Limited to more than \$100,000 per election \$10,000 per year to a state campaign (this aggregate limit party; \$2,000 per year to a includes both the primary and town party; \$2,000 per year general elections). to a legislative caucus committee or legislative Limited to \$2,000 per year to leadership committee; and another PAC; limited to \$7,500 per \$1,000 per year to a PAC. year to a state central committee Limited to an aggregate of and \$1,500 per year to a town \$30,000 per election committee. PACs may not campaign (this aggregate contribute to candidates limit includes both the participating in the Citizens' primary and general Election Program. elections). The State Note that contributions made by a **Elections Enforcement** PAC of a state contractor or Commission announced May lobbyist are subject to additional 14, 2014 that this aggregate restrictions. limit will no longer be enforced. Contributions to candidates participating in the Citizens' Election Program may not exceed \$100. Note that contributions made by lobbyists and certain officers and employees of a state contractor are subject to additional restrictions.



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Delaware	Limited to \$1,200 per statewide candidate and \$600 per non- statewide candidate per election period (the primary and general election are considered separate election periods). \$20,000 per two- year election period to party committee. Corporate contributions to PACs are unlimited.	Limited to \$1,200 per statewide candidate and \$600 per non- statewide candidate per election period (under the law, the primary and general election are considered in the <i>same</i> election period for PAC contributions; however, the Board of Elections applies the PAC contribution limits as if the primary and general are <i>separate</i> elections each receiving their own limit). \$20,000 per two-year election period to party committee. Contributions to PACs are unlimited.	Limited to \$1,200 per statewide candidate and \$600 per non-statewide candidate per election period (the primary and general election are considered separate election periods). \$20,000 per two-year election period to party committee. Contributions to PACs are unlimited.



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District of Columbia	Limited to \$2,000 to mayor, \$1,500 to the Chairman of the City Council or Attorney General, \$1,000 for an At- Large Council Member, \$500 for the President of the Board of Education or a Ward Council Member, \$200 for a Board of Education Member elected from a school district or for an official of a political party, and \$5,000 to a political committee per election (primary and general are considered one election). \$8,500 in the aggregate to all candidates for a particular office and political committees per election, which includes both the primary and general elections. The Office of Campaign Finance informally advises this aggregate limit will no longer be enforced. A corporation contributing to a candidate, party, or PAC must inform the recipient of the identity of any affiliated entities (including parents, subsidiaries, sister companies, and PACs controlled by the corporation or its affiliates) which also contributed to the candidate, party, or PAC. A corporation must certify that its contribution, combined with those of its affiliates (parents, subsidiaries, and sister companies), and all PACs established, financed or maintained by the corporation and its affiliates share a single contribution limit.	Limited to \$2,000 to mayor, \$1,500 to the Chairman of the City Council or Attorney General, \$1,000 for an At-Large Council Member, \$500 for the President of the Board of Education or a Ward Council Member, \$200 for a Board of Education Member elected from a school district or for an official of a political party, and \$5,000 to a political committee per election (primary and general are considered one election). \$8,500 in the aggregate to all candidates for a particular office and political committees per election, which includes both the primary and general elections. The Office of Campaign Finance informally advises this aggregate limit will no longer be enforced.	Limited to \$2,000 to mayor, \$1,500 to the Chairman of the City Council or Attorney General, \$1,000 for an At- Large Council Member, \$500 for the President of the Board of Education or a Ward Council Member, \$200 for a Board of Education Member elected from a school district or for an official of a political party, and \$5,000 to a political committee per election (primary and general are considered one election). \$8,500 in the aggregate to all candidates for a particular office and political committees per election, which includes both the primary and general elections. The Office of Campaign Finance informally advises this aggregate limit will no longer be enforced.



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CORPORATE **INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS STATE PAC CONTRIBUTIONS CONTRIBUTIONS** Florida Limited to \$3,000 per statewide or Limited to \$3,000 per statewide or Limited to \$3,000 per Supreme Court candidate, or Supreme Court candidate, or \$1,000 statewide or Supreme Court \$1,000 per legislative or local per legislative or local candidate candidate, or \$1,000 per candidate (including judges) per (including judges) per election. legislative or local candidate election. Contributions to PACs Contributions to PACs and state (including judges) per and state party committees are party committees are unlimited. election. Contributions to unlimited. PACs and state party committees are unlimited.

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Georgia	Limited to \$6,600 per election per statewide candidate (\$3,900 for runoff elections) and \$2,600 per election per non-statewide candidate (\$1,400 for runoff elections). Contributions from affiliated corporations, and a PAC and its connected corporation, are aggregated. Contributions to party committees and PACs are unlimited. <u>Special Rule for Regulated</u> <u>Corporations</u> : "Regulated" corporations are prohibited from contributing to offices regulating them. For instance, an insurance company doing business in the state is prohibited from giving a contribution to an Insurance Commissioner candidate or officeholder and a financial services company engaged in securities business in the state is prohibited from giving a contribution to a Secretary of State candidate or officeholder. This prohibition covers contributions by affiliates and PACs of a regulated corporation.	Limited to \$6,600 per election per statewide candidate (\$3,900 for runoff elections) and \$2,600 per election per non-statewide candidate (\$1,400 for runoff elections). See restriction on contributions by PACs of regulated corporations under the corporate contribution column. Contributions from affiliated PACs, and a PAC and its connected corporation, are aggregated. Contributions to party committees and PACs are unlimited.	Limited to \$6,600 per election per statewide candidate (\$3,900 for runoff elections) and \$2,600 per election per non-statewide candidate (\$1,400 for runoff elections). Contributions to party committees and PACs are unlimited.



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Hawaii	Limited to \$6,000 per candidate for four-year statewide office, \$4,000 per candidate for four-year non-statewide offices and \$2,000 per candidate for two-year office per election period (including both the primary and general elections); \$1,000 per PAC per election (primary and general treated as separate elections); and \$25,000 to a political party per two-year election period. Contributions from certain affiliated corporations and PACs are aggregated.	Limited to \$6,000 per candidate for four-year statewide office, \$4,000 per candidate for four-year non- statewide offices, \$2,000 per candidate for two-year office per election period (including both the primary and general elections); \$1,000 per PAC per election (primary and general treated as separate elections); and \$25,000 to a political party per two-year election period.	Limited to \$6,000 per candidate for four-year statewide office, \$4,000 per candidate for four-year non- statewide offices, \$2,000 per candidate for two-year office per election period (including both the primary and general elections); \$1,000 per PAC per election (primary and general treated as separate elections); and \$25,000 to a political party per two-year election period.
Idaho	Limited to \$5,000 per statewide candidate, and \$1,000 per non- statewide candidate per election. There are no limits on contributions to PACs or state parties.	Limited to \$5,000 per statewide candidate, and \$1,000 per non- statewide candidate per election. There are no limits on contributions to PACs or state parties.	Limited to \$5,000 per statewide candidate, and \$1,000 per non-statewide candidate per election. There are no limits on contributions to PACs or state parties.
Illinois	Corporations are limited to contributions of no more than \$11,100 per election cycle for any candidate committee (including judges) and \$22,200 per calendar year for a PAC or political party committee.	PACs are limited to contributions of no more than \$55,400 per election cycle for any candidate committee (including judges) and \$55,400 per calendar year for a PAC or political party committee. If an individual or Super PAC	Individuals are limited to contributions of no more than \$5,600 per election cycle for any candidate committee (including judges) and \$11,100 per calendar year for a PAC or political party committee.
	If an individual or Super PAC makes independent expenditures in support of or in opposition to the campaign of a particular candidate, in an aggregate amount of more than \$250,000 per natural person or Super PAC for statewide office, or \$100,000 for all other elective offices in an election cycle, or if similar self-funding thresholds are	makes independent expenditures in support of or in opposition to the campaign of a particular candidate, in an aggregate amount of more than \$250,000 per natural person or Super PAC for statewide office, or \$100,000 for all other elective offices in an election cycle, or if similar self-funding thresholds are reached, then all candidates for that	If an individual or Super PAC makes independent expenditures in support of or in opposition to the campaign of a particular candidate, in an aggregate amount of more than \$250,000 per natural person or Super PAC for statewide



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	reached, then all candidates for that office in that election, including the candidate for whose benefit the independent expenditures were made, are permitted to accept unlimited contributions from corporations.	office in that election, including the candidate for whose benefit the independent expenditures were made, are permitted to accept unlimited contributions from PACs.	office, or \$100,000 for all other elective offices in an election cycle, or if similar self-funding thresholds are reached, then all candidates for that office in that election, including the candidate for whose benefit the independent expenditures were made, are permitted to accept unlimited contributions from individuals.



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Indiana	Per calendar year, limited to an aggregate of \$5,000 apportioned in any manner among all statewide candidates, an aggregate of \$5,000 apportioned in any manner among all state party committees, an aggregate of \$2,000 apportioned in any manner among all state senate candidates, an aggregate of \$2,000 apportioned in any manner among all state house candidates, an aggregate of \$2,000 apportioned in any manner among all state senate regular party committees, an aggregate of \$2,000 apportioned in any manner among all state senate regular party committees, an aggregate of \$2,000 apportioned in any manner among all state house regular party committees, an aggregate of \$2,000 apportioned in any manner among all central committees other than state committees, and an aggregate of \$2,000 apportioned in any manner among all candidates for school board offices and local offices. Corporate contributions to a PAC must be earmarked to a category of candidates or committees and may not exceed the limits above.	Unlimited.	Unlimited.
Iowa	Prohibited.	Unlimited.	Unlimited.



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Kansas	Limited to \$2,000 to governor/lt. governor (jointly), \$2,000 per candidate for other statewide offices, \$1,000 per state senate or State Board of Education candidate, and \$500 per candidate for all other offices per election. Contributions to state party committees are limited to \$15,000 per year; contributions to other party committees are limited to \$5,000 per year. Contributions to PACs are unlimited.	Limited to \$2,000 to governor/lt. governor (jointly), \$2,000 per candidate for other statewide offices, \$1,000 per state senate or State Board of Education candidate, and \$500 per candidate for all other offices per election. Contributions to party committees are limited to \$5,000 per year. Contributions to PACs are unlimited.	Limited to \$2,000 to governor/lt. governor (jointly), \$2,000 per candidate for other statewide offices, \$1,000 per state senate or State Board of Education candidate, and \$500 per candidate for all other offices per election. Contributions to state party committees are limited to \$15,000 per year; contributions to other party committees are limited to \$5,000 per year. Contributions to PACs are unlimited.



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Kentucky	Prohibited. This prohibition was enjoined on March 31, 2016, to the extent it treats corporations and LLCs unequally. However, the Kentucky Registry of Election Finance announced on April 22, 2016 that in its view corporate contributions to candidates and committees are still prohibited.	Limited to \$1,000 per candidate per election, \$2,500 to a state political party together with its affiliated county and municipal committees per calendar year (amounts in excess of \$1,000 per calendar year given to a non-state committee must be deposited in a separate account maintained by the state committee to be used for the party's administrative costs), \$2,500 to a caucus campaign committee per calendar year, and \$1,500 in the aggregate to state PACs per calendar year.	Limited to \$1,000 per candidate per election, \$2,500 to a state political party together with its affiliated county and municipal committees per calendar year (amounts in excess of \$1,000 per calendar year given to a non- state committee must be deposited in a separate account maintained by the state committee to be used for the party's administrative costs), \$2,500 to a caucus campaign committee per calendar year, and \$1,500 in the aggregate to state PACs per calendar year. On June 5, 2014, the Kentucky Registry of Election Finance published an advisory opinion finding the \$1,500 limit on contributions to all state PACs per calendar year unenforceable, and instead declaring the limit to be \$1,500 per state PAC per calendar year.



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Louisiana	Board authorization required. Limited to \$5,000 to "major office" candidates (e.g., candidates for statewide office and any candidate for office within an election district with greater than 250,000 population), \$2,500 to district candidates (e.g., legislative, parishwide, multi- parish, and other candidates for office in a district with a population greater than 35,000 but 250,000 or less), \$1,000 to any other office candidates, with an aggregate of \$100,000 to any party or PAC over a four-year cycle (ends 12/31/2018). Limits are per candidate per election. Contributions, loans and transfers are aggregated for purpose of limits. Contributions from certain affiliated corporations are aggregated.	Limited to \$5,000 for major office candidates, \$2,500 for district candidates, \$1,000 for any other office candidates. Limits are per candidate per election. Contributions, loans, and transfers are aggregated for purposes of limits. However, if a PAC has 250 members contributing at least \$50 each in the preceding calendar year, the limits are doubled. A political committee cannot contribute more than \$100,000 in any four-year election cycle to a recognized political party or committee thereof.	Limited to \$5,000 for major office candidates, \$2,500 for district candidates, \$1,000 for any other office candidates, with an aggregate of \$100,000 to any party or PAC over a four-year cycle (ends 12/31/2018). Limits are per candidate per election. Contributions, loans, and transfers are aggregated for purposes of limits.
Maine	Limited to \$1,600 per candidate for governor, \$400 per legislative candidate, \$800 per county candidate, \$800 per municipal candidate and \$800 per candidate for all other offices per election. Contributions from certain affiliated corporations are aggregated. Also, a corporate family and their PACs may have to share a limit under certain circumstances. Contributions to PACs and parties are unlimited.	Limited to \$1,600 per candidate for governor, \$400 per legislative candidate, \$800 per county candidate, \$800 per municipal candidate and \$800 per candidate for all other offices per election. A corporate family and their PACs may have to share a limit under certain circumstances. Contributions to PACs and parties are unlimited.	Limited to \$1,600 per candidate for governor, \$400 per legislative candidate, \$800 per county candidate, \$800 per municipal candidate and \$800 per candidate for all other offices per election. Total contributions to candidates per year may not exceed \$25,000. On June 4, 2014, the Maine Ethics Commission announced it would no longer enforce this aggregate limit. Contributions to PACs and parties are unlimited.



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Maryland	A corporation is limited to \$6,000 per state, county or Baltimore City candidate (including judicial), political party committee or PAC per 4-year election cycle (from Jan. 1, 2015 to Dec. 31, 2018). Contributions made by affiliated corporations are aggregated for purposes of these limits. Please note the State Board of Elections announced on April 11, 2014 that the \$24,000 aggregate per 4-year election cycle limit is unconstitutional and no longer enforceable.	A state PAC may give up to \$6,000 per state, county, or Baltimore City candidate, party, or PAC per four- year election cycle, with no aggregate limit. Federal PAC same as corporate. Certain affiliated committees share the same limits.	Same as corporate.
Massachusetts	Prohibited.	Limited to \$500 per candidate or PAC, and an aggregate of \$5,000 to all state and local party committees associated with a single political party per calendar year.	Limited to \$1,000 per candidate, \$500 to a PAC, and \$5,000 to all state and local party committees associated with a single political party per calendar year. Lobbyists are limited to \$200 per candidate, PAC, or party committee per calendar year. Please note that the aggregate individual contribution limit of \$12,500 was repealed on August 1, 2014.



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Michigan	Prohibited.	Limited to \$68,000 to a candidate for statewide office, \$20,000 to state senator, and \$10,000 to state representative per election cycle (includes primary and general) (assuming PAC qualifies as an independent committee, i.e., receives contributions from 25 contributors, makes contributions to 3 candidates, and is in existence for 6 months prior to the election in which it intends to make a contribution. If the PAC does not meet these three criteria, the limits are the same as the limits for an individual). Contributions to parties and PACs are unlimited.	Limited to \$6,800 per candidate for statewide office, \$2,000 per candidate for state senate, and \$1,000 per state representative candidate per election cycle (includes primary and general). Contributions to parties and PACs are unlimited.



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Minnesota	Prohibited.	Limited to \$4,000 per election segment to Governor/Lt. Governor (\$2,000 per non-election segment); \$2,500 per election segment for attorney general (\$1,500 per non- election segment); \$2,000 per election segment for Secretary of State and State Auditor (\$1,000 per non-election segment); \$1,000 per election segment to state senate (\$1,000 per non-election segment); \$1,000 per election segment to state representative (no non-election segment); and \$2,500 per election segment); and \$2,500 per election segment to judicial candidate (\$2,500 per non-election segment). An election cycle runs from January 1 of an odd-numbered year to December 31 of the following year. If it contains a general election, it is an election segment, and if it does not, then it is a non-election segment. For local candidates (except judges), limited to \$250 in a non-election year and \$600 in an election year, or if the territory of the office sought has a population over 100,000, \$250 per a non- election year and \$1,000 per election year. There are no limits under state law on contributions to a political party or PAC.	Limited to \$4,000 per election segment to Gov./Lt. Gov. (\$2,000 per non-election segment); \$2,500 per election segment for attorney general (\$1,500 per non-election segment); \$2,000 per election segment for Secretary of State and State Auditor (\$1,000 per non-election segment); \$1,000 per election segment); \$1,000 per election segment to state senate (\$1,000 per non-election segment); \$1,000 per election segment); \$1,000 per election segment); \$1,000 per election segment to state rep (no non- election segment); and \$2,500 per election segment to judicial candidate (\$2,500 per non- election segment). An election cycle runs from January 1 of an odd-numbered year to December 31 of the following year. If it contains a general election, it is an election segment, and if it does not, then it is a non-election segment. For local candidates (except judges), limited to \$250 in a non-election year and \$600 in an election year, or if the territory of the office sought has a population over 100,000, \$250 per a non- election year. There are no lim- its on contributions to a political party or PAC.
Mississippi	Limited to \$1,000 per candidate per calendar year and \$1,000 annually to a political party.	Unlimited.	Unlimited.



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Missouri	Board authorization required. Corporate contributions to state or local candidates and parties are prohibited. Contributions to PACs are permissible, except contributions from certain regulated corporations including banks and public utilities to PACs are not permissible. This provision is the subject of ongoing litigation. Furthermore, under an ambiguous provision and per informal advice from the Missouri Ethics Commission, contributions are only permissible from corporations with the authority to do business in Missouri, including corporations formed in another state but holding a certificate of authority in Missouri. This provision is the subject of ongoing litigation.	Contributions are limited to \$2,600 per election to a state or judicial candidate, and \$25,000 per election to all state and local committees affiliated with a single political party. Contributions from a state PAC to a state PAC are prohibited. This provision is the subject of ongoing litigation.	Contributions are limited to \$2,600 per election to a state or judicial candidate, and \$25,000 per election to all state and local committees affiliated with a single political party. Contributions to a state PAC are unlimited.



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Montana	Prohibited to candidates, unlimited to parties and PACs, though recipient parties and PACs may not use corporate contributions to contribute to candidates.	Contribution limits were struck down by the federal district court on May 17, 2016, and the Commissioner of Political Practices announced that the prior 1994 limits, as indexed, would be enforced. Thus, effective May 17, 2016, limited to \$10,610 to governor/lt. governor (jointly); \$2,650 per other statewide candidate; \$1,330 per candidate for Public Service Commission; \$800 per candidate for State Senate; and \$400 per candidate for all other public offices per election (primary and general together). Contributions to state party committees and PACs are unlimited.	Contribution limits were struck down by the federal district court on May 17, 2016, and the Commissioner of Political Practices announced that the prior 1994 limits, as indexed, would be enforced. Thus, effective May 17, 2016, limited to \$1,990 to governor/lt. governor (jointly); \$990 per other statewide candidate; \$530 per candidate for State Senate, district judge, or Public Service Commission; and \$330 per candidate for all other public offices per election (primary and general elections together). Contributions to state party committees and PACs are unlimited.
Nebraska	Unlimited.	Unlimited.	Unlimited.
Nevada	Limited to \$5,000 per candidate per election. No limits to political parties.	Limited to \$5,000 per candidate per election. No limits to political parties.	Limited to \$5,000 per candidate per election. No limits to political parties.
New Hampshire	Limited to \$5,000 to any statewide or legislative candidate per election, or if the candidate has not agreed to spending limits then \$1,000 to any statewide or legislative candidate per election; \$5,000 per political party or PAC per election.	Unlimited to any statewide or legislative candidate, or if the candidate has not agreed to spending limits then \$1,000 to any statewide or legislative candidate per election; unlimited to political parties and PACs.	Limited to \$5,000 to any statewide or legislative candidate per election, or if the candidate has not agreed to spending limits then \$1,000 to any statewide or legislative candidate per election; \$5,000 per political party or PAC per election.



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STATE	CORPORATE CONTRIBUTIONS	PAC CONTRIBUTIONS	INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS
New Jersey	Regulated Companies-Prohibited for regulated corporations such as banks. Non-Regulated Companies- Non-regulated corporations may contribute \$3,800 to governor and lt. governor jointly (but the contribution limit to a 2017 gubernatorial candidate is \$4,300), and \$2,600 to any other statewide or legislative candidate per election; \$25,000 to a state political party per calendar year; \$37,000 to a county political party committee per calendar year; and \$7,200 to a municipal political party committee or a state PAC per calendar year.	If registered, limited to \$3,800 to governor and lt. governor jointly (but the contribution limit to a 2017 gubernatorial candidate is \$4,300), and \$8,200 to any other statewide or legislative candidate per election; \$25,000 to a state political party per calendar year; \$37,000 to a county political party committee per calendar year; and \$7,200 to a municipal political party committee or a state PAC per calendar year. If not registered, limited to \$3,800 to governor and lt. governor jointly, and \$2,600 to any other statewide or legislative candidate per election; \$25,000 to a state political party per calendar year; \$37,000 to a county political party committee per calendar year; and \$7,200 to a municipal political party committee or a state PAC per calendar year.	Limited to \$3,800 to governor and lt. governor jointly (but the contribution limit to a 2017 gubernatorial candidate is \$4,300), and \$2,600 to any other statewide or legislative candidate per election; \$25,000 to a state political party per calendar year; \$37,000 to a county political party committee per calendar year; and \$7,200 to a municipal political party committee or a state PAC per calendar year.
New Mexico	Limited to \$2,500 per non- statewide candidate (including state, county, and judicial but excluding municipal, school board, and special district) per election; \$5,500 per statewide candidate per election; \$5,500 per PAC or political party per election.	Limited to \$5,500 per candidate (including state, county, and judicial but excluding municipal, school board, and special district), PAC, or political party per election.	Limited to \$2,500 per non- statewide candidate (including state, county, and judicial but excluding municipal, school board, and special district) per election; \$5,500 per statewide candidate per election; \$5,500 per PAC or political party per election.



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New York	Limited to an aggregate of \$5,000 to all state and local candidates, PACs and political parties per calendar year, but contributions to a party committee for housekeeping expenses are unlimited. Also subject to per candidate limits in PAC column.	<ul> <li>Statewide candidates (Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Comptroller, and Attorney General)</li> <li>Primary election - The greater of ½¢ x pre enrolled voters in the candidate's party or \$7,000, but no more than \$21,100.</li> <li>General Election - up to \$44,000.</li> <li>State Senate Candidates</li> <li>Primary – up to \$7,000.</li> <li>General – up to \$11,000.</li> <li>State Assembly Candidate</li> <li>Primary – up to \$4,400.</li> <li>General – up to \$4,400.</li> <li>A party committee may not accept more than \$109,600 per calendar year from a PAC. Contributions to a party committee for housekeeping expenses are unlimited.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Statewide candidates (Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Comptroller, and Attorney General)</li> <li>Primary election - The greater of ½¢ x pre enrolled voters in the candidate's party or \$7,000, but no more than \$21,100.</li> <li>General Election - up to \$44,000.</li> <li>State Senate Candidates</li> <li>Primary - up to \$7,000.</li> <li>General - up to \$11,000.</li> <li>State Assembly Candidate</li> <li>Primary - up to \$4,400.</li> <li>General - up to \$4,400.</li> <li>General - up to \$4,400.</li> <li>A party committee may not accept more than \$109,600 per calendar year from an individual. Overall limit of \$150,000 to all state and local candidates, PACs and political parties per calendar year. On May 22, 2014, the New York State Board of Elections voted to stop enforcing this aggregate limit. Contributions to a party committee for housekeeping expenses are unlimited.</li> </ul>
North Carolina	Prohibited.	Limited to \$5,200 per PAC or candidate per election. Unlimited to parties.	Limited to \$\$5,200 per PAC or candidate per election. Unlimited to parties.
North Dakota	Prohibited.	Unlimited.	Unlimited.



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Ohio	Prohibited.	Limited to \$12,707.79 to any statewide or legislative candidate per election, \$38,123.38 to a state political party per calendar year, \$19,061.69 to a legislative campaign fund per calendar year, and \$12,707.79 to an unaffiliated PAC per calendar year.	Limited to \$12,707.79 to any statewide or legislative candidate per election, \$38,123.38 to a state political party per calendar year, \$19,061.69 to a legislative campaign fund per calendar year, and \$12,707.79 to a PAC per calendar year.
Oklahoma	Prohibited.	Limited to \$5,000 to a state or local candidate (including judicial) per election, \$5,000 to a state or local PAC per calendar year, and an aggregate of \$10,000 to all state or local political party committees associated with a single political party per calendar year. However, a PAC registered for less than one year before a primary election or with fewer than 25 contributors may not contribute to another PAC. Such a PAC is limited to \$2,500 to a state or local candidate (including judicial) per election (primary, runoff primary, and general election are considered separate elections), and an aggregate of \$5,000 to all state or local political party committees associated with a single political party per calendar year.	Limited to \$2,700 to a state or local candidate (including judicial) per election, \$5,000 to a state or local PAC per calendar year, and an aggregate of \$10,000 to all state or local political party committees associated with a single political party per calendar year.
Oregon	Unlimited.	Unlimited.	Unlimited.
Pennsylvania	Prohibited.	Unlimited.	Unlimited.



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Rhode Island	Prohibited.	Limited to \$1,000 per candidate per calendar year (unless receiving matching funds in which case may contribute \$2,000 after the primary), \$1,000 to a PAC or political party committee per calendar year, and \$25,000 to all candidates, PACs and political party committees in a calendar year.	Limited to \$1,000 per candidate per calendar year (unless receiving matching funds in which case may contribute \$2,000 after the primary), \$1,000 to a PAC or political party committee per calendar year, and \$10,000 to all candidates, PACs and political party committees in a calendar year. In an advisory opinion issued August 11, 2015, the Board of Elections advised it would not enforce the \$10,000 aggregate limit.
South Carolina	Limited to \$3,500 per statewide candidate and \$1,000 per legislative candidate per election (if running unopposed in the primary or general, a single limit applies for both elections), and \$3,500 per PAC or political party per calendar year. On September 13, 2010, a federal district court found the definition of "committee" in South Carolina's campaign finance law to be unconstitutionally broad. This renders contribution limits to PACs and party committees unenforceable until the definition of committee is amended.	Limited to \$3,500 per statewide candidate and \$1,000 per legislative candidate per election (if running unopposed in the primary or general, a single limit applies for both elections), and \$3,500 per PAC or political party per calendar year. On September 13, 2010, a federal district court found the definition of "committee" in South Carolina's campaign finance law to be unconstitutionally broad. This renders contribution limits to PACs and party committees unenforceable until the definition of committee is amended.	Limited to \$3,500 per statewide candidate and \$1,000 per legislative candidate per election (if running unopposed in the primary or general, a single limit applies for both elections), and \$3,500 per PAC or political party per calendar year. On September 13, 2010, a federal district court found the definition of "committee" in South Carolina's campaign finance law to be unconstitutionally broad. This renders contribution limits to PACs and party committees unenforceable until the definition of committee is amended.



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CORPORATE **INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS CONTRIBUTIONS STATE PAC CONTRIBUTIONS** South Dakota Prohibited with respect to Unlimited. Limited to \$4,000 to a statewide office candidate, candidates and party committees. Limited to \$10,000 per calendar \$1,000 to a legislative candidate, and \$10,000 per year per PAC. political party or PAC per calendar year. Unlimited to judge running for retention. Corporations which intend to give Multicandidate PACs limited to Limited to \$4,000 per Tennessee statewide candidate, \$1,500 to multiple state or local \$11,800 per statewide candidate, candidates or measures may \$11,800 per state senate candidate, per state senate candidate, contribute up to \$11,800 per and \$7,800 per state representative, and \$1,500 per state statewide candidate, \$11,800 per judicial, or local candidate per representative, judicial, or state senate candidate, and \$7,800 election. Non-multicandidate PACs local candidate per election. per state representative, judicial, or subject to individual per election Contributions to state PACs local candidate per election. If the limits at right. Contributions to state and party committees are PACs and party committees are unlimited. corporation will only contribute to a single candidate, it is subject to unlimited. the individual per election limits. Contributions to state PACs and party committees are unlimited. Texas Prohibited. Unlimited. Unlimited. Utah Unlimited. Unlimited. Unlimited. Vermont Limited to \$4,080 to Governor, Lt. Limited to \$4,080 to Governor, Lt. Limited to \$4.080 to Governor, Secretary of State, Governor, Secretary of State, Governor, Lt. Governor, Treasurer, Auditor of Accounts, or Treasurer, Auditor of Accounts, or Secretary of State, Treasurer, Attorney General; \$1,530 to a Attorney General; \$1,530 to a Auditor of Accounts, or candidate for State Senate; \$1,500 candidate for State Senate; \$1,500 Attorney General; \$1,530 to to a candidate for county office; to a candidate for county office; and a candidate for State Senate; and \$1,020 to a candidate for state \$1,020 to a candidate for state \$1.500 to a candidate for representative or local office per representative or local office per county office; and \$1,020 to election cycle (including primary election cycle (including primary a candidate for state and general). Also limited to and general). Also limited to \$4,080 representative or local office

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Virginia	Unlimited.	Unlimited.	Unlimited.
Washington	Corporations not doing business in Washington may not contribute to state office candidates. Insurance companies are prohibited from contributing for the Office of Insurance Commissioner. Corporations are otherwise generally limited to \$1,000 per legislative candidate, county candidate, city council candidate, mayoral candidate, and school board candidate, per election, and caucus political committee, per calendar year; and \$2,000 per candidate for all other state offices, including judicial candidates, per election. No contribution to a candidate may exceed \$5,000 in the aggregate per candidate during the 21 days before a general election. Contributions to a state party committee, county committee or legislative district committee are limited to \$5,500 per calendar year (except that contributions to the exempt account of the committee are unlimited, except during the period of 21 days before a general election, during which time such contributions to a PAC are unlimited (except during the period of 21 days before a general election, during which time such contributions from a parent and a subsidiary are aggregated for purposes of these limits, as are contributions from the companies and their PACs.	Limited to \$1,000 per legislative candidate, county candidate, city council candidate, mayoral candidate, and school board candidate, per election, and caucus political committee, per calendar year; and \$2,000 per candidate for all other state offices, including judicial candidates, per election. No contribution to a candidate may exceed \$5,000 in the aggregate per candidate during the 21 days before a general election. Contributions to a state party committee, county committee or legislative district committee are limited to \$5,500 per calendar year (except that contributions to the exempt account of the committee are unlimited, except during the period of 21 days before a general election, during which time such contributions to a PAC are unlimited (except during the period of 21 days before a general election, during which time such contributions are limited to \$5,000). Contributions from a parent and a subsidiary are aggregated for purposes of these limits, as are contributions from the companies and their PACs.	Limited to \$1,000 per legislative candidate, county candidate, city council candidate, mayoral candidate, and school board candidate, per election; and \$2,000 per candidate for all other state offices, including judicial candidates, per election. No contribution to a candidate may exceed \$5,000 in the aggregate per candidate during the 21 days before a general election. Contributions to a PAC or state party committee, county committee, legislative district committee are unlimited (except during the period of 21 days before a general election, during which time such contributions are limited to \$5,000).



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West Virginia	Prohibited.	Limited to \$1,000 per candidate per election. Limited to \$1,000 to a state party committee per calendar year. PAC-to-PAC transfers are prohibited, except a state PAC may receive \$1,000 per election from its national affiliate.	Limited to \$1,000 per candidate or PAC per election. Limited to \$1,000 to a state party committee per calendar year.
Wisconsin	Corporations may contribute \$12,000 per calendar year to a segregated fund established and administered by a political party or legislative campaign committee for purposes other than making contributions to a candidate committee or making disbursements for express advocacy.	Limited to \$86,000 to governor; \$26,000 to lt. governor; \$44,000 to attorney general; \$18,000 to state treasurer, secretary of state, or superintendent of public instruction; \$2,000 to state senator; and \$1,000 to assembly representative per election cycle (includes primary and general). Contributions to a political party or legislative campaign committee are limited to \$12,000 per calendar year. Contributions to other PACs are unlimited.	Limits for campaigns: \$20,000 to a candidate for statewide office; \$2,000 to state senator; and \$1,000 to state assembly representative per election cycle (includes primary and general). Contributions to parties and PACs and legislative campaign committees are unlimited.
Wyoming	Prohibited.	Contributions to a statewide candidate are unlimited, and contributions to any other candidate, including local, are limited to \$5,000 per election. Contributions to parties and PACs are unlimited.	Limited to \$2,500 per statewide candidate and \$1,500 per non-statewide and local candidate (including judicial candidate running in retention election) per election. Contributions to parties and PACs are unlimited. The aggregate limit was repealed effective March 9, 2015.

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