

ESSB 6199 - H AMD 1251

By Representative Manweller

SCOPE AND OBJECT 03/01/2018

1 On page 46, after line 5, insert the following:

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3 "Sec. 28. RCW 42.17A.405 and 2013 c 311 s 1 are each amended to
4 read as follows:

5 (1) The contribution limits in this section apply to:

6 (a) Candidates for legislative office;

7 (b) Candidates for state office other than legislative office;

8 (c) Candidates for county office;

9 (d) Candidates for special purpose district office if that
10 district is authorized to provide freight and passenger transfer and
11 terminal facilities and that district has over two hundred thousand
12 registered voters;

13 (e) Candidates for city council office;

14 (f) Candidates for mayoral office;

15 (g) Candidates for school board office;

16 (h) Candidates for public hospital district board of
17 commissioners in districts with a population over one hundred fifty
18 thousand;

19 (i) Persons holding an office in (a) through (h) of this
20 subsection against whom recall charges have been filed or to a
21 political committee having the expectation of making expenditures in
22 support of the recall of a person holding the office;

23 (j) Caucus political committees;

24 (k) Bona fide political parties.

25 (2) No person, other than a bona fide political party or a
26 caucus political committee, may make contributions to a candidate
27 for a legislative office, county office, city council office,

1 mayoral office, school board office, or public hospital district
2 board of commissioners that in the aggregate exceed eight hundred
3 dollars or to a candidate for a public office in a special purpose
4 district or a state office other than a legislative office that in
5 the aggregate exceed one thousand six hundred dollars for each
6 election in which the candidate is on the ballot or appears as a
7 write-in candidate. Contributions to candidates subject to the
8 limits in this section made with respect to a primary may not be
9 made after the date of the primary. However, contributions to a
10 candidate or a candidate's authorized committee may be made with
11 respect to a primary until thirty days after the primary, subject to
12 the following limitations: (a) The candidate lost the primary; (b)
13 the candidate's authorized committee has insufficient funds to pay
14 debts outstanding as of the date of the primary; and (c) the
15 contributions may only be raised and spent to satisfy the
16 outstanding debt. Contributions to candidates subject to the limits
17 in this section made with respect to a general election may not be
18 made after the final day of the applicable election cycle.

19 (3) No person, other than a bona fide political party or a
20 caucus political committee, may make contributions to a state
21 official, a county official, a city official, a school board member,
22 a public hospital district commissioner, or a public official in a
23 special purpose district against whom recall charges have been
24 filed, or to a political committee having the expectation of making
25 expenditures in support of the recall of the state official, county
26 official, city official, school board member, public hospital
27 district commissioner, or public official in a special purpose
28 district during a recall campaign that in the aggregate exceed eight
29 hundred dollars if for a legislative office, county office, school
30 board office, public hospital district office, or city office, or
31 one thousand six hundred dollars if for a special purpose district
32 office or a state office other than a legislative office.

33 (4)(a) Notwithstanding subsection (2) of this section, no bona
34 fide political party or caucus political committee may make

1 contributions to a candidate during an election cycle that in the
2 aggregate exceed (i) eighty cents multiplied by the number of
3 eligible registered voters in the jurisdiction from which the
4 candidate is elected if the contributor is a caucus political
5 committee or the governing body of a state organization, or (ii)
6 forty cents multiplied by the number of registered voters in the
7 jurisdiction from which the candidate is elected if the contributor
8 is a county central committee or a legislative district committee.

9 (b) No candidate may accept contributions from a county central
10 committee or a legislative district committee during an election
11 cycle that when combined with contributions from other county
12 central committees or legislative district committees would in the
13 aggregate exceed forty cents times the number of registered voters
14 in the jurisdiction from which the candidate is elected.

15 (5)(a) Notwithstanding subsection (3) of this section, no bona
16 fide political party or caucus political committee may make
17 contributions to a state official, county official, city official,
18 school board member, public hospital district commissioner, or a
19 public official in a special purpose district against whom recall
20 charges have been filed, or to a political committee having the
21 expectation of making expenditures in support of the state official,
22 county official, city official, school board member, public hospital
23 district commissioner, or a public official in a special purpose
24 district during a recall campaign that in the aggregate exceed (i)
25 eighty cents multiplied by the number of eligible registered voters
26 in the jurisdiction entitled to recall the state official if the
27 contributor is a caucus political committee or the governing body of
28 a state organization, or (ii) forty cents multiplied by the number
29 of registered voters in the jurisdiction from which the candidate is
30 elected if the contributor is a county central committee or a
31 legislative district committee.

32 (b) No official holding an office specified in subsection (1) of
33 this section against whom recall charges have been filed, no
34 authorized committee of the official, and no political committee

1 having the expectation of making expenditures in support of the
2 recall of the official may accept contributions from a county
3 central committee or a legislative district committee during an
4 election cycle that when combined with contributions from other
5 county central committees or legislative district committees would
6 in the aggregate exceed forty cents multiplied by the number of
7 registered voters in the jurisdiction from which the candidate is
8 elected.

9 (6) For purposes of determining contribution limits under
10 subsections (4) and (5) of this section, the number of eligible
11 registered voters in a jurisdiction is the number at the time of the
12 most recent general election in the jurisdiction.

13 (7) Notwithstanding subsections (2) through (5) of this section,
14 no person other than an individual, bona fide political party, or
15 caucus political committee may make contributions reportable under
16 this chapter to a caucus political committee that in the aggregate
17 exceed eight hundred dollars in a calendar year or to a bona fide
18 political party that in the aggregate exceed four thousand dollars
19 in a calendar year. This subsection does not apply to loans made in
20 the ordinary course of business.

21 (8) For the purposes of RCW 42.17A.125, 42.17A.405 through
22 42.17A.415, 42.17A.450 through 42.17A.495, 42.17A.500, 42.17A.560,
23 and 42.17A.565, a contribution to the authorized political committee
24 of a candidate or of an official specified in subsection (1) of this
25 section against whom recall charges have been filed is considered to
26 be a contribution to the candidate or official.

27 (9) A contribution received within the twelve-month period after
28 a recall election concerning an office specified in subsection (1)
29 of this section is considered to be a contribution during that
30 recall campaign if the contribution is used to pay a debt or
31 obligation incurred to influence the outcome of that recall
32 campaign.

33 (10) The contributions allowed by subsection (3) of this section
34 are in addition to those allowed by subsection (2) of this section,

1 and the contributions allowed by subsection (5) of this section are
2 in addition to those allowed by subsection (4) of this section.

3 (11) RCW 42.17A.125, 42.17A.405 through 42.17A.415, 42.17A.450
4 through 42.17A.495, 42.17A.500, 42.17A.560, and 42.17A.565 apply to
5 a special election conducted to fill a vacancy in an office
6 specified in subsection (1) of this section. However, the
7 contributions made to a candidate or received by a candidate for a
8 primary or special election conducted to fill such a vacancy shall
9 not be counted toward any of the limitations that apply to the
10 candidate or to contributions made to the candidate for any other
11 primary or election.

12 (12) Notwithstanding the other subsections of this section, no
13 corporation or business entity not doing business in Washington
14 state, no labor union with fewer than ten members who reside in
15 Washington state, and no political committee that has not received
16 contributions of ten dollars or more from at least ten persons
17 registered to vote in Washington state during the preceding one
18 hundred eighty days may make contributions reportable under this
19 chapter to a state office candidate, to a state official against
20 whom recall charges have been filed, or to a political committee
21 having the expectation of making expenditures in support of the
22 recall of the official. This subsection does not apply to loans made
23 in the ordinary course of business.

24 (13) Notwithstanding the other subsections of this section, no
25 county central committee or legislative district committee may make
26 contributions reportable under this chapter to a candidate specified
27 in subsection (1) of this section, or an official specified in
28 subsection (1) of this section against whom recall charges have been
29 filed, or political committee having the expectation of making
30 expenditures in support of the recall of an official specified in
31 subsection (1) of this section if the county central committee or
32 legislative district committee is outside of the jurisdiction
33 entitled to elect the candidate or recall the official.

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1 (14) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this section, no
2 entity that is represented as a voting member under section
3 27(2)(a)(iii) or (iv) of this act may make contributions reportable
4 under this chapter to any candidate for the office of governor,
5 directly or indirectly.

6 (15) No person may accept contributions that exceed the
7 contribution limitations provided in this section.

8 (~~(15)~~) (16) The following contributions are exempt from the
9 contribution limits of this section:

10 (a) An expenditure or contribution earmarked for voter
11 registration, for absentee ballot information, for precinct
12 caucuses, for get-out-the-vote campaigns, for precinct judges or
13 inspectors, for sample ballots, or for ballot counting, all without
14 promotion of or political advertising for individual candidates;

15 (b) An expenditure by a political committee for its own internal
16 organization or fund-raising without direct association with
17 individual candidates; or

18 (c) An expenditure or contribution for independent expenditures
19 as defined in RCW 42.17A.005 or electioneering communications as
20 defined in RCW 42.17A.005."

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22 Renumber the remaining sections consecutively and correct any
23 internal references accordingly.

24 Correct the title.

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EFFECT: Prohibits the rate setting board's voting members who
represent the consumer directed employer and the exclusive
bargaining representative from contributing to any candidate for
Governor.

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