

WAC 390-17-300 Contribution designation for primary and general election. (1) Pursuant to RCW 42.17A.405 and 42.17A.410, if a contribution is designated in writing by the contributor for a specific election, the contribution will be attributed to the contributor's limit for that designated election.

(2) An undesignated contribution made prior to the date of a primary election shall be attributed to the contributor's limit for the primary election. Undesignated contributions made after the date of the primary shall be attributed to the contributor's limit for the general election.

(3) Any portion of an undesignated contribution made prior to the date of the primary which exceeds the contributor's primary election contribution limit shall be attributed to the contributor's limit for the general election.

(4) Contributions for the primary election shall be accounted for separately from those for the general election, such that campaign records reflect one aggregate contribution total for each contributor giving in the primary election as well as one aggregate contribution total for each contributor giving in the general election.

(5) General election contributions shall not be spent for the primary election if to do so would cause the contributor of the general election contribution to exceed that contributor's contribution limit for the primary election.

(6) If a candidate loses in the primary election, or otherwise is not a candidate in the general election, all contributions attributed to the primary election remaining after repayment of outstanding campaign obligations shall be considered surplus funds, disposal of which is governed by RCW 42.17A.430. If a candidate loses in the primary election, or otherwise is not a candidate in the general election, all contributions attributed to the general election shall be returned to the contributors of the funds in an amount equal to the contributor's general election aggregate total. If a portion of a contributor's general election contribution was spent on the primary election consistent with subsection (5) of this section, the amount returned to the contributor may be reduced by the amount of the contribution spent on the primary election.

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