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ADJUSTED CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION LIMITS

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Summary of Procedure and Findings
For Adjustments To
Contribution Limitation Amounts

Pursuant to division (B)(3) of section 3517.104 of the Revised Code, the Secretary of State issues this report setting forth the new maximum contribution limits for the amounts specified in section 3517.102, the amounts required under division (B)(4)(e) of section 3517.10, and the amount specified under division (B) of section 3517.101 of the Revised Code. The new maximum contribution limits will apply for the period beginning February 25, 2023, through February 24, 2025.

The Secretary of State calculated the new maximum contribution limit amounts according to the formula in division (A) of section 3517.102 of the Revised Code. Under that section, in January of each odd-numbered year, the Secretary of State shall adjust each contribution limitation amount specified in section 3517.102, in division (B)(4)(e) of section 3517.10, and in division (B) of section 3517.101 of the Revised Code based on the yearly average of the previous two years of the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (the "CPI"). Using the 1996 yearly average as the base year, the Secretary of State compares the most current average CPI with that determined in the preceding odd-numbered year and calculates the percentage increase or decrease. **The percentage increase in CPI from 2020 to 2022 is thirteen and one-tenth percent (13.1%).** This amount is then multiplied by the actual dollar figure for each office or entity specified in section 3517.102, division (B)(4)(e) of section 3517.10, and division (B) of 3517.101 of the Revised Code as determined in the previous odd-numbered year. Finally, the product is added to the corresponding actual dollar figure determined in the previous odd-numbered year to calculate the new contribution limit amounts.

In accordance with the requirements of section 3517.104 of the Revised Code, the calculations are rounded to the nearest $25.00 for the calculations made to the amounts specified in division (B)(4)(e) of section 3517.10 of the Revised Code for reporting contributions and in-kind contributions at social or fundraising activities and contributions from amounts deducted from an employee's wages and salary. However, the contribution limit amounts are not rounded for the calculations made to the amounts specified in section 3517.102 or in division (B) of 3517.101 of the Revised Code.

Appendix A of this report contains a summary of each new adjusted contribution limit in section 3517.102, division (B)(4)(e) of section 3517.10, and in division (B) of 3517.101 of the Revised Code. The new contribution limits are highlighted in bold.

Appendix B of this report is an overview chart setting forth Ohio's new campaign contribution limit amounts effective as of February 25, 2023.

Appendix C of this report is the Bureau of Labor Statistic's Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) data for years 2012 through 2022.

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APPENDIX A

2023 Adjusted Campaign Contribution Limits

R.C. 3517.10(B)(4)(e), 3517.102, and 3517.101 dollar figures have been adjusted pursuant to R.C. 3517.104. The adjusted contribution limits are effective as of February 25, 2023, and are as follows:

3517.10

3517.10(B)(4)(e): A statement of contributions received does not need to include a separately itemized account of any contribution of:

- **$50.00** or less received from a person at one social or fundraising activity.
- **$50.00** or less aggregated in a calendar year from amounts deducted from the wages and salary of one employee.

3517.10(B)(4)(e): An account of the total contributions from each social or fundraising activity shall include a description of and the value of each in-kind contribution received at that activity from any person who made one or more such contributions whose aggregate value exceeds **$400.00**.

3517.101

3517.101(B): The maximum aggregate amount any person may contribute to a state political party, a county political party, or a legislative campaign fund that is specifically designated and used to defray any cost incurred for the purposes described in division (A)(1) of this section in a calendar year is now **$12,751.16**.

3517.102

3517.102(B)(1)(a)(i), (ii), & (iii): The maximum aggregate contributions from an individual who is seven years of age or older to the campaign committee of any one statewide candidate, senate candidate, or house candidate in a primary or general election period is now **$15,499.69**.

3517.102(B)(1)(a)(iv): The maximum aggregate contributions from an individual who is seven years of age or older to any county political party's state candidate fund of the county in which the individual's designated Ohio residence is located in a calendar year is now **$15,499.69**.

3517.102(B)(1)(a)(v): The maximum aggregate contributions from an individual who is seven years of age or older to any one legislative campaign fund in a calendar year is now **$23,249.54**.

3517.102(B)(1)(a)(vi): The maximum aggregate contributions from an individual who is seven years of age or older to a state political party's state candidate fund in a calendar year is now **$46,499.08**.

3517.102(B)(1)(a)(vii): The maximum aggregate contributions from an individual who is seven years of age or older to any one political action committee in a calendar year is now **$15,499.69**.

3517.102(B)(1)(a)(viii): The maximum aggregate contributions from an individual who is seven years of age or older to any one political contributing entity in a calendar year is now **$15,499.69.**

3517.102(B)(2)(a)(i), (ii), & (iii): The maximum aggregate contributions from a political action committee to the campaign committee of any one statewide candidate, senate candidate, or house candidate in a primary or general election period is now **$15,499.69**.

3517.102(B)(2)(a)(iv): The maximum aggregate contributions from a political action committee to any one legislative campaign fund in a calendar year is now **$23,249.54**.

3517.102(B)(2)(a)(v): The maximum aggregate contributions from a political action committee to a state political party's state candidate fund in a calendar year is now **$46,499.08**.

3517.102(B)(2)(a)(vi): The maximum aggregate contributions from a political action committee to another political action committee, with which it is not affiliated, in a calendar year is now **$15,499.69**.

3517.102(B)(3)(a), (b) & (c): The maximum aggregate contributions from a campaign committee to the campaign committee of any one statewide candidate, senate candidate, or house candidate in a primary or general election period is now **$15,499.69**.

3517.102(B)(3)(d): The maximum aggregate contributions from a campaign committee to any one political action committee in a calendar year is now **$15,499.69**.

3517.102(B)(3)(e): The maximum aggregate contributions from a campaign committee to any one political contributing entity in a calendar year is now **$15,499.69**.

3517.102(B)(4)(a): The maximum aggregate contributions from a political party to any one political action committee or to any one political contributing entity in a calendar year is now **$15,499.69**.

3517.102(B)(5)(a)(i): The maximum aggregate contributions from a campaign committee, other than a designated state campaign committee, to a state political party's state candidate fund in a calendar year is now **$46,499.08**.

3517.102(B)(5)(a)(ii): The maximum aggregate contributions from a campaign committee, other than a designated state campaign committee, to any one legislative campaign fund in a calendar year is now **$23,249.54**.

3517.102(B)(5)(a)(iii): The maximum aggregate contributions from a campaign committee, other than a designated state campaign committee, to any one county political party's state candidate fund in a calendar year is now **$15,499.69**.

3517.102(B)(6)(a)(i): The maximum aggregate contributions from a county political party's state candidate fund to the campaign committee of any statewide candidate, except a contribution to a designated state campaign committee, in a primary or general election period is now **$387,492.30**.

3517.102(B)(6)(a)(ii) & (iii): The maximum aggregate contributions from a county political party's state candidate fund to the campaign committee of any senate candidate or house candidate, except a contribution to a designated state campaign committee, in a primary or general election period is now **$15,499.69**.

3517.102(B)(6)(b)(i)(I): The maximum aggregate contributions of cash or cash equivalents from a county or state political party's state candidate fund to a designated state campaign committee of any one statewide candidate in a primary or general election period is now **$874,182.62**.

3517.102(B)(6)(b)(i)(II): The maximum aggregate contributions of cash or cash equivalents from a county or state political party's state candidate fund to a designated state campaign committee of a senate candidate in a primary or general election period is now **$174,371.53**.

3517.102(B)(6)(b)(i)(III): The maximum aggregate contributions of cash or cash equivalents from a county or state political party's state candidate fund to a designated state campaign committee of a house candidate in a primary or general election period is now **$86,798.27**.

3517.102(B)(6)(b)(ii)(I): The maximum aggregate contributions of cash or cash equivalents from a legislative campaign fund to a designated state campaign committee of a senate candidate is now **$86,798.27** for a primary election period and **$174,371.53** for a general election period.

3517.102(B)(6)(b)(ii)(II): The maximum aggregate contributions of cash or cash equivalents from a legislative campaign fund to a designated state campaign committee of a house candidate is now **$44,959.27** for a primary election period and **$86,798.27** for a general election period.

3517.102(B)(6)(c): The maximum aggregate contributions from other lawful accounts of a county political party that has no state candidate fund and is located in a county having a population of less than 150,000 to any one statewide candidate or to any one designated state campaign committee in any primary or general election period is now **$3,874.92**.

3517.102(B)(7)(a)(i), (ii) & (iii): The maximum aggregate contributions from a political contributing entity to the campaign committee of any one statewide candidate, senate candidate, or house candidate in a primary or general election period is now **$15,499.69**.

3517.102(B)(7)(a)(iv): The maximum aggregate contributions from a political contributing entity to any one legislative campaign fund in a calendar year is now **$23,249.54**.

3517.102(B)(7)(a)(v): The maximum aggregate contributions from a political contributing entity to a state political party's state candidate fund in a calendar year is now **$46,499.08**.

3517.102(B)(7)(a)(vi): The maximum aggregate contributions from a political contributing entity to another political contributing entity or a political action committee, with which it is not affiliated, in a calendar year is now **$15,499.69**.

3517.102(C)(1)(a)(ii): The maximum aggregate contributions a campaign committee of a statewide candidate may accept from any one individual who is seven years of age or older, any one political action committee, any one political contributing entity, or any one other campaign committee in a primary or general election period is now **$15,499.69**.

3517.102(C)(1)(a)(iii): The maximum aggregate contributions a campaign committee of a statewide candidate may accept from any one or combination of state candidate funds of county political parties in a primary or general election period is now **$387,492.30**.

3517.102(C)(1)(b): The maximum aggregate contributions a campaign committee of a statewide candidate may accept, in a primary or general election period, from any county

political party that has no state candidate fund and that is located in a county having a population of less than 150,000 is now **$3,874.92**.

3517.102(C)(2)(a)(ii): The maximum aggregate contributions a campaign committee of a senate candidate, except for a designated state campaign committee, may accept from any one individual who is seven years of age or older, any one political action committee, any one political contributing entity, any one state candidate fund of a county political party, or any one other campaign committee in a primary or general election period is now **$15,499.69**.

3517.102(C)(2)(b): The maximum aggregate contributions a campaign committee of a senate candidate may accept, in a primary or general election period, from a county political party that has no state candidate fund and that is located in a county having a population of less than 150,000 is now **$3,874.92**.

3517.102(C)(3)(a)(ii): The maximum aggregate contributions a campaign committee of a house candidate, except for a designated state campaign committee, may accept from any one individual who is seven years of age or older, any one political action committee, any one political contributing entity, any one state candidate fund of a county political party, or any one other campaign committee in a primary or general election period is now **$15,499.69**.

3517.102(C)(3)(b): The maximum aggregate contributions a campaign committee of a house candidate may accept, in a primary or general election period, from a county political party that has no state candidate fund and that is located in a county having a population of less than 150,000 is now **$3,874.92**.

3517.102(C)(4)(a)(i): The maximum aggregate contributions a county political party state candidate fund, except for a designated state campaign committee, may accept from any one individual who is seven years of age or older and whose designated Ohio residence is located within that county or from any one campaign committee, in a calendar year is now **$15,499.69**.

3517.102(C)(4)(b)(ii): The maximum aggregate contributions a state political party state candidate fund may accept from any one individual who is seven years of age or older, any one political action committee, any one political contributing entity, or any one campaign committee, other than a designated state campaign committee, in a calendar year is now **$46,499.08**.

3517.102(C)(5)(b): The maximum aggregate contributions a legislative campaign fund may accept from any one individual who is seven years of age or older, any one political action committee, any one political contributing entity, or any one campaign committee, other than a designated state campaign committee, in a calendar year is now **$23,249.54**.

3517.102(C)(6)(a)(i): The maximum aggregate contributions of cash or cash equivalents a designated state campaign committee, in the case of a campaign committee of a statewide candidate, may accept from a state political party state candidate fund in a primary or general election period is now **$874,182.62**.

3517.102(C)(6)(a)(ii): The maximum aggregate contributions of cash or cash equivalents a designated state campaign committee, in the case of a campaign committee of a senate candidate, may accept from a state political party state candidate fund in a primary or general election period is now **$174,371.53**.

3517.102(C)(6)(a)(iii): The maximum aggregate contributions of cash or cash equivalents a designated state campaign committee, in the case of a campaign committee of a house candidate, may accept from a state political party state candidate fund in a primary or general election period is now **$86,798.27**.

3517.102(C)(6)(b)(i): The maximum aggregate contributions of cash or cash equivalents a designated state campaign committee of a senate candidate may accept from a legislative campaign fund is now **$86,798.27** in a primary election period and **$174,371.53** in a general election period.

3517.102(C)(6)(b)(ii): The maximum aggregate contributions of cash or cash equivalents a designated state campaign committee of a house candidate may accept from a legislative campaign fund is now **$44,959.27** in a primary election period and **$86,798.27** in a general election period.

3517.102(C)(6)(c)(i): The maximum aggregate contributions of cash or cash equivalents a campaign committee of a senate candidate, including a campaign committee that is a designated state campaign committee, may accept from any one or combination of state candidate funds of county political parties in a primary or general election period is now **$155,051.32**.

3517.102(C)(6)(c)(ii): The maximum aggregate contributions of cash or cash equivalents a campaign committee of a house candidate, including a campaign committee that is a designated state campaign committee, may accept from any one or combination of state candidate funds of county political parties in a primary or general election period is now **$77,498.46**.

3517.102(C)(7)(a)(ii): The maximum aggregate contributions a political action committee may accept from any one individual who is seven years of age or older, any one campaign committee, or any one political party in a calendar year is now **$15,499.69**.

3517.102(C)(7)(b): The maximum aggregate contributions a political action committee or a political contributing entity may accept from any one political action committee or any one political contributing entity, except a political action committee or political contributing entity with which it is affiliated, in a calendar year is now **$15,499.69**.

3517.102(E)(1): A legislative campaign fund must dispose of excess funds exceeding **$262,719.78**.

Appendix B

Ohio Campaign Contribution Limits

Effective February 25, 2023 through February 24, 2025

THIS CHART IS INTENDED TO BE A GENERAL GUIDE AND DOES NOT INCLUDE EVERY STATUTORY PROVISION RELATING TO CONTRIBUTION LIMITS.

FROM → / TO ↓ Per Election Period unless footnoted	INDIVIDUAL (Must be 7 years of age or older)	PACs PCEs	COUNTY PARTY State Candidate Fund	COUNTY PARTY Other Account [8]	STATE PARTY State Candidate Fund	LEGISLATIVE CAMPAIGN FUND	CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE (includes local)
STATEWIDE	$15,499.69	$15,499.69	$387,492.30 [12]	$3,874.92 [9]	$874,182.62 [7]	**PROHIBITED**	$15,499.69
SENATE	$15,499.69	$15,499.69	$15,499.69 [1] $174,371.53 [2]	$3,874.92 [9]	$174,371.53 [7]	$86,798.27 [6] $174,371.53 [6]	$15,499.69
HOUSE	$15,499.69	$15,499.69	$15,499.69 [1] $86,798.27 [2]	$3,874.92 [9]	$86,798.27 [7]	$44,959.27 [6] $86,798.27 [6]	$15,499.69
STATE PARTY State Candidate Fund	$46,499.08 [3]	$46,499.08 [3]	**No Limit**	**PROHIBITED**	**No Limit**	**No Limit**	$46,499.08 [3]
LEGISLATIVE CAMPAIGN FUND	$23,249.54 [3]	$23,249.54 [3]	**No Limit**	**PROHIBITED**	**No Limit**	**PROHIBITED**	$23,249.54 [3]
COUNTY PARTY State Candidate Fund	$15,499.69 [10]	**PROHIBITED**	**PROHIBITED**	**PROHIBITED**	**No Limit**	**No Limit**	$15,499.69 [4]
PACs PCEs	$15,499.69 [3]	$15,499.69 [13]	$15,499.69 [11]	$15,499.69 [11]	$15,499.69 [11]	**PROHIBITED**	$15,499.69 [3]

1. These limits apply to contributions given to a campaign committee which is not a 'designated state campaign committee'.
2. These limits apply to cash or cash equivalents, not in-kind. The campaign committee of a House or a Senate candidate which is a 'designated state campaign committee' may accept, in aggregate, from any one or a combination of state candidate funds of county political parties $77,498.46 and $155,051.32, respectively, in an election period.
3. These limits are per calendar year.
4. This limit is per calendar year and may only be made if the campaign committee's candidate will appear on a ballot in that county or is an officeholder representing any part of that county.
5. These limits are per calendar year and do not apply to contributions given by a 'designated state campaign committee'.
6. These limits apply to cash or cash equivalents, not in-kind. The smaller limit is for the Primary election period and the larger limit is for the General election period.
7. These limits apply to cash or cash equivalents, not in-kind.
8. These limits apply to political parties in counties having a population of less than 150,000 which do not establish a State Candidate Fund. 'Other Account' does not include a Restricted Fund.
9. Recipients of county party non-State Candidate Fund contributions must be campaign committees for statewide candidates or a 'designated state campaign committee.'
10. This limit is per calendar year. Contributions to a County Party SCF are restricted to individuals residing in the county or 'designated state campaign committees' of the County Party SCF.
11. These limits are per calendar year and apply to the aggregate of contributions given by the National, State, and County level of a political party.
12. A campaign committee for a statewide candidate may accept not more than this amount, in aggregate, from any one or a combination of state candidate funds of county political parties in an election period.
13. This limit is per calendar year and does not apply to contributions made to or received by one or more PACs that are affiliated.

Please consult section 3517.102 of the Ohio Revised Code.

CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)
Original Data Value

Series CUUR0000SA0
Not Seasonally Adjusted
Series All items in U.S. city average, all urban
Area: U.S. city average
Item: All items
Base 1982-84=100
Years: 2012 to 2022

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual	HALF1	HALF2
2012	226.665	227.663	229.392	230.085	229.815	229.478	229.104	230.379	231.407	231.317	230.221	229.601	229.594	228.850	230.338
2013	230.280	232.166	232.773	232.531	232.945	233.504	233.596	233.877	234.149	233.546	233.069	233.049	232.957	232.366	233.548
2014	233.916	234.781	236.293	237.072	237.900	238.343	238.250	237.852	238.031	237.433	236.151	234.812	236.736	236.384	237.088
2015	233.707	234.722	236.119	236.599	237.805	238.638	238.654	238.316	237.945	237.838	237.336	236.525	237.017	236.265	237.769
2016	236.916	237.111	238.132	239.261	240.229	241.018	240.628	240.849	241.428	241.729	241.353	241.432	240.007	238.778	241.237
2017	242.839	243.603	243.801	244.524	244.733	244.955	244.786	245.519	246.819	246.663	246.669	246.524	245.120	244.076	246.163
2018	247.867	248.991	249.554	250.546	251.588	251.989	252.006	252.146	252.439	252.885	252.038	251.233	251.107	250.089	252.125
2019	251.712	252.776	254.202	255.548	256.092	256.143	256.571	256.558	256.759	257.346	257.208	256.974	255.657	254.412	256.903
2020	257.971	258.678	258.115	256.389	256.394	257.797	259.101	259.918	260.280	260.388	260.229	260.474	258.811	257.557	260.065
2021	261.582	263.014	264.877	267.054	269.195	271.696	273.003	273.567	274.310	276.589	277.948	278.802	270.970	266.236	275.703
2022	281.148	283.716	287.504	289.109	292.296	296.311	296.276	296.171	296.808	298.012	297.711	296.797	292.655	288.347	296.963

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