

STATE OF MONTANA POLITICAL CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION LIMITS SUMMARY – applicable to 2020 campaigns September 21, 2019

This guide is just a summary - for complete requirements, see [Title 13, Chapters 35](#) and [37, MCA](#).

CANDIDATE

To Own Campaign.....No Limit

INDIVIDUAL Human Being

To a Political Party Committee..... No Limit

To a Political Action Committee..... No Limit

To a Ballot Issue Committee.....No Limit

To candidates for Governor/Lt. Governor..... \$710 per election

To a candidate for Other Statewide Office*\$360 per election

To a candidate for Other Public Office**\$180 per election

POLITICAL COMMITTEE

To a Political Party Committee..... No Limit

To a Political Action Committee.....No Limit

To a Ballot Issue Committee..... No Limit

POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE (PAC)

To candidates for Governor/Lt. Governor..... \$710 per election

To a candidate for Other Statewide Office* \$360 per election

To a candidate for Other Public Office** \$180 per election

AGGREGATE PAC LIMITS FOR LEGISLATIVE CANDIDATES

To a candidate for State Senate.....\$3,050

To a candidate for State House.....\$1,850

POLITICAL PARTY COMMITTEE Aggregate Limits from ALL political party committees

Please Note: Political Party Committees may not contribute to candidates for judicial offices (i.e. Supreme Court Justice, District Judge, Justice of the Peace).

A political party committee may endorse a candidate for judicial office and make an independent expenditure relating to such an election. See Sanders County Republican Party v. Bullock, 698 F3d 741 (9th Cir, 2012).

See also personnel services exception ARM 44.11.225 (3).

To candidates for Governor/Lt. Governor..... \$25,600per election

To a candidate for Other Statewide Office* \$9,250 per election

To a candidate for Public Service Commission..... \$3,700 per election

To a candidate for State Senate..... \$1,500 per election

To a candidate for Other Public Office** \$900 per election

Excluding PSC and State Senate

CORPORATION OR UNION

May not contribute directly or indirectly to a candidate, [13-35-227, MCA](#).

**Other Statewide Office: Attorney General, Secretary of State, State Auditor, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Supreme Court Justice, Clerk of the Supreme Court*

*** Examples of Other Public Office: State District—Public Service Commissioner, State Senate, State House, and District Judge County—All County elected Officials, City—All City elected officials School— All School District Trustees*