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NOTICE OF ADOPTION

MAR NOTICE NO. 2025-329.2

Summary

Amendment of ARM 44.11.227 pertaining to campaign contribution limits

Previous Notice(s) and Hearing Information

On September 12, 2025, the Commissioner of Political Practices (COPP) published MAR Notice No. 2025-329.1 pertaining to the proposed amendment of the agency's rules in the 2025 Montana Administrative Register, Issue Number 17.

Final Rulemaking Action – Effective November 8, 2025

AMEND AS PROPOSED

The agency has amended the following rule as proposed:

44.11.227 LIMITATIONS ON INDIVIDUAL AND POLITICAL PARTY CONTRIBUTIONS TO A CANDIDATE

NOT ADOPTING

The agency has decided not to adopt the following rule as proposed:

44.11.223 AGGREGATE CONTRIBUTION LIMITS FOR WRITE-IN CANDIDATES

Statement of Reasons

The agency has considered comments and testimony received relating to ARM 44.11.227. A summary of the comment received and the agency's response are as follows:

Comment 1: A commenter suggested that COPP provide more clarification as to how total combined contributions apply "per election cycle."

Response 1: COPP thanks the commenter for this suggestion, but notes that the implementing statute, 13-37-216(6), MCA, clearly defines an applicable election to which contribution limits apply.

COPP recognizes that ARM 44.11.223 has been made superfluous by the passage of HB 207. Rather than amending the rule at this time, the agency will consider potentially repealing the rule in its entirety at a later date.

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Approval

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