

**Bureau of Ethics and Campaign Finance  
Registry of Election Finance  
2011 Legislative Changes**

- Updates contribution limits based on CPI. The limits for any election held after Governor’s signature on SB 1915/HB1003 until December 31, 2012 are as follows:

	<b>New Limit</b>	<b>Old Limit</b>
<b>Person Limits (per election)</b>		
Local / Legislative Candidates	\$1,400	\$1,000
Statewide Candidates	\$3,600	\$2,500
<b>PAC Limits (per election)</b>		
Local / House Candidates	\$7,100	\$5,000
Senate / Statewide Candidates	\$10,700	\$7,500
<b>Aggregate PAC Limit (per election)</b>		
All Elections Except Statewide	\$107,200	\$75,000
<b>Aggregate Party/Caucus (per election)</b>		
Local / House Candidates	\$28,600	\$20,000
Senate Candidates	\$57,200	\$40,000
Statewide Candidates	\$357,300	\$250,000

Note: Primary and General are separate elections.

- Contribution limits will be updated every two years based on the change in CPI.
- Deletes the biennial limit of \$109,100 on an individual’s total contributions to state and local candidates and PACs.
- Corporate campaign contributions are allowed to candidates and PACs. Corporations (including LLCs) making campaign contributions totaling over \$250 in the aggregate to candidates in a calendar quarter must register as a PAC and file campaign financial disclosure reports.
- Prohibits PACs controlled by members of the General Assembly from accepting campaign contributions from the beginning of legislative session to the earlier of the end of legislative session or May 15 in even numbered years or June 1 in odd numbered years.
- Excess campaign funds of a deceased candidate may now be contributed to a scholarship fund of an education institute.