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IN ASSEMBLY

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- Introduced by M. of A. LENTOL, O'DONNELL, KAMINSKY -- (at request of the Department of Law) -- read once and referred to the Committee on Election Law
- AN ACT to amend the penal law, in relation to undisclosed self-dealing; to amend the penal law, in relation to the descriptions of certain bribery offenses and defenses; to amend the executive law, in relation to the jurisdiction of the attorney general (Part A); to amend the retirement and social security law, in relation to removal of pension and retirement benefits from persons convicted of certain felonies; to amend the legislative law, in relation to prohibiting members of the state legislature from receiving earned income from any source other then the state; to amend the legislative law, in relation to per diem allowances to members of the legislature; to amend part E of chapter 60 of the laws of 2015 establishing a commission on legislative, judicial and executive compensation, in relation to salaries of members of the legislature (Part B); and to amend the election law, in relation campaign receipts and expenditures and public financing; to amend to the election law, in relation to contributions from limited liability companies; to amend the election law, in relation to monies received and expenditures made by a party committee or constituted committee; to amend the election law, in relation to restricting campaign contributions by those with business relationships with the state and in relation to imposing contribution and receipt limits with respect to monies received and expenditures made by party committees and constituted committees; to amend the state finance law, in relation to the New York state campaign finance fund; and to amend the tax law, in relation to the New York state campaign finance fund; to amend the legislative law, in relation to restrictions on political contributions from lobbyists; to amend the election law, in relation to restricting campaign funds for personal use (Part C)

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[] is old law to be omitted.

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1 Section 1. This act shall be known as the End New York Corruption Now 2 Act. 3 S 2. This act enacts into law major components which are necessary to 4 enact ethics reform for public officials, reform the campaign finance 5 system and expand law enforcement tools to combat public corruption. б Each component is wholly contained within a Part identified as Parts A 7 through C. The effective date for each particular provision contained 8 within such Part is set forth in the last section of such Part. Any provision in any section contained within a Part, including the effec-9 10 tive date of the Part, which makes a reference to a section "of this act", when used in connection with that particular component, shall be 11 12 deemed to mean and refer to the corresponding section of the Part in which it is found. Section four of this act sets forth the general 13 14 effective date of this act. 15 PART A 16 Section 1. The penal law is amended by adding two new sections 195.30 17 and 195.35 to read as follows: S 195.30 UNDISCLOSED SELF-DEALING IN THE SECOND DEGREE. 18 19 PERSON IS GUILTY OF UNDISCLOSED SELF-DEALING IN THE SECOND DEGREE А 20 WHEN, BEING A PUBLIC SERVANT, HE OR SHE INTENTIONALLY ENGAGES IN CONDUCT 21 OR A COURSE OF CONDUCT IN HIS OR HER OFFICIAL CAPACITY IN CONNECTION AWARD OF A PUBLIC CONTRACT OR PUBLIC GRANT OR OTHER EFFORT TO 22 WITH THE 23 OBTAIN OR RETAIN PUBLIC BUSINESS OR PUBLIC FUNDS THAT IS INTENDED TO 24 CONFER AN UNDISCLOSED BENEFIT ON HIMSELF, HERSELF, A SPOUSE, DOMESTIC 25 PARTNER, CHILD, PARENT, OR SIBLING OF THE PUBLIC SERVANT, A PERSON WITH 26 WHOM A PUBLIC SERVANT HAS A BUSINESS OR OTHER FINANCIAL RELATIONSHIP, OR FIRM IN WHICH THE PUBLIC SERVANT HAS A PRESENT OR POTENTIAL INTEREST 27 Α AND THEREBY OBTAINS OR ATTEMPTS TO OBTAIN A BENEFIT FOR HIMSELF, 28 SPOUSE, DOMESTIC PARTNER, CHILD, PARENT, OR SIBLING OF THE 29 HERSELF, А 30 PUBLIC SERVANT, A PERSON WITH WHOM A PUBLIC SERVANT HAS A BUSINESS OR 31 OTHER FINANCIAL RELATIONSHIP, OR A FIRM IN WHICH THE PUBLIC SERVANT HAS A PRESENT OR POTENTIAL INTEREST WITH A VALUE IN EXCESS OF THREE THOUSAND 32 DOLLARS. A BENEFIT IS DISCLOSED IF ITS EXISTENCE IS MADE KNOWN PRIOR 33 TO 34 ALLEGED WRONGFUL CONDUCT TO EITHER (I) THE RELEVANT STATE OR LOCAL THE 35 ETHICS COMMISSION OR (II) THE OFFICIAL RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PUBLIC SERV-36 ANT'S APPOINTMENT TO HIS OR HER POSITION, PROVIDED THAT PERSON IS NOT A 37 PARTICIPANT IN THE ALLEGED WRONGFUL CONDUCT. 38 UNDISCLOSED SELF-DEALING IN THE SECOND DEGREE IS A CLASS D FELONY. 39 S 195.35 UNDISCLOSED SELF-DEALING IN THE FIRST DEGREE. A PERSON IS GUILTY OF UNDISCLOSED SELF-DEALING IN THE FIRST 40 DEGREE 41 WHEN, BEING A PUBLIC SERVANT, HE OR SHE INTENTIONALLY ENGAGES IN CONDUCT 42 A COURSE OF CONDUCT IN HIS OR HER OFFICIAL CAPACITY IN CONNECTION OR 43 WITH THE AWARD OF A PUBLIC CONTRACT OR PUBLIC GRANT OR OTHER EFFORT ΤO OBTAIN OR RETAIN PUBLIC BUSINESS OR PUBLIC FUNDS THAT IS INTENDED TO 44 45 CONFER AN UNDISCLOSED BENEFIT ON HIMSELF, HERSELF, A SPOUSE, DOMESTIC 46 PARTNER, CHILD, PARENT, OR SIBLING OF THE PUBLIC SERVANT, A PERSON WITH

47 WHOM A PUBLIC SERVANT HAS A BUSINESS OR OTHER FINANCIAL RELATIONSHIP, OR 48 A FIRM IN WHICH THE PUBLIC SERVANT HAS A PRESENT OR POTENTIAL INTEREST 49 THEREBY OBTAINS OR ATTEMPTS TO OBTAIN A BENEFIT FOR HIMSELF, AND HERSELF, A SPOUSE, DOMESTIC PARTNER, CHILD, PARENT, OR SIBLING OF 50 THE PUBLIC SERVANT, A PERSON WITH WHOM A PUBLIC SERVANT HAS A BUSINESS OR 51 OTHER FINANCIAL RELATIONSHIP, OR A FIRM IN WHICH THE PUBLIC SERVANT 52 HAS 53 PRESENT OR POTENTIAL INTEREST WITH A VALUE IN EXCESS OF TEN THOUSAND А 54 DOLLARS. A BENEFIT IS DISCLOSED IF ITS EXISTENCE IS MADE KNOWN PRIOR TO 5

ALLEGED WRONGFUL CONDUCT TO EITHER (I) THE RELEVANT STATE OR LOCAL 1 THE 2 ETHICS COMMISSION OR (II) THE OFFICIAL RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PUBLIC SERV-3 ANT'S APPOINTMENT TO HIS OR HER POSITION, PROVIDED THAT PERSON IS NOT A 4 PARTICIPANT IN THE ALLEGED WRONGFUL CONDUCT.

UNDISCLOSED SELF-DEALING IN THE FIRST DEGREE IS A CLASS C FELONY.

6 S 2. Section 200.00 of the penal law, as amended by chapter 833 of the 7 laws of 1986, is amended to read as follows:

8 S 200.00 Bribery in the third degree.

9 A person is guilty of bribery in the third degree when he OR SHE 10 confers, or offers or agrees to confer, any benefit upon a public serv-[upon an agreement or understanding that] WITH THE INTENT TO INFLU-11 ant ENCE such public servant's vote, opinion, judgment, action, decision or exercise of discretion as a public servant [will thereby be influenced]. 12 13 14 Bribery in the third degree is a class D felony.

15 S 3. Section 200.03 of the penal law, as amended by section 18 of 16 subpart A of part H of chapter 55 of the laws of 2014, is amended to 17 read as follows:

18 S 200.03 Bribery in the second degree.

A person is guilty of bribery in the second degree when he OR SHE 19 20 confers, or offers or agrees to confer, any benefit valued in excess of 21 five thousand dollars upon a public servant [upon an agreement or under-22 standing that] WITH THE INTENT TO INFLUENCE such public servant's vote, 23 opinion, judgment, action, decision or exercise of discretion as а 24 public servant [will thereby be influenced].

25 Bribery in the second degree is a class C felony.

26 S 4. Section 200.04 of the penal law, as amended by section 19 of 27 subpart A of part H of chapter 55 of the laws of 2014, is amended to 28 read as follows:

29 S 200.04 Bribery in the first degree.

A person is guilty of bribery in the first degree when the person 30 confers, or offers or agrees to confer: (1) any benefit upon a public 31 32 servant [upon an agreement or understanding that] WITH THE INTENT TO INFLUENCE such public servant's vote, opinion, judgment, action, 33 deci-34 sion or exercise of discretion as a public servant [will thereby be investigation, arrest, detention, prosecution or 35 influenced] in the incarceration of any person for the commission or alleged commission of 36 37 a class A felony defined in article two hundred twenty of this part or 38 an attempt to commit any such class A felony; or (2) any benefit valued 39 in excess of one hundred thousand dollars upon a public servant [upon an 40 agreement or understanding that] WITH THE INTENT TO INFLUENCE such public servant's vote, opinion, judgment, action, decision or exercise of discretion as a public servant [will thereby be influenced]. 41 42 43

Bribery in the first degree is a class B felony.

44 S 5. Section 200.05 of the penal law is amended to read as follows: 45 S 200.05 Bribery; defense.

46 In any prosecution for bribery[,]: (1) it is a defense that the 47 defendant conferred or agreed to confer the benefit involved upon the 48 public servant involved as a result of conduct of the latter constitut-49 ing larceny committed by means of extortion, or an attempt to commit the 50 same, or coercion, or an attempt to commit coercion[.]; AND (2) IT IS 51 ALSO A DEFENSE THAT THE BENEFIT THAT THE DEFENDANT CONFERRED, OR OFFERED OR AGREED TO CONFER, UPON THE PUBLIC SERVANT WAS A LEGITIMATE 52 CAMPAIGN 53 CONTRIBUTION, UNLESS SUCH CONTRIBUTION WAS MADE UPON AN AGREEMENT OR 54 UNDERSTANDING THAT SUCH PUBLIC SERVANT'S VOTE, OPINION, JUDGMENT, 55 ACTION, DECISION OR EXERCISE OF DISCRETION AS A PUBLIC SERVANT WOULD 56 THEREBY BE INFLUENCED.

1 S 6. Section 63 of the executive law is amended by adding a new subdi-2 vision 3-a to read as follows:

3 3-A. TO THE EXTENT THAT THE ATTORNEY GENERAL DEEMS JUST INVESTIGATE, 4 AND PROPER, THE ALLEGED COMMISSION OF ANY INDICTABLE OFFENSE OR OFFENSES 5 IN VIOLATION OF LAW (I) ARISING UNDER SECTION 195.00, SECTION 195.20, 6 ARTICLE TWO HUNDRED, OR ARTICLE FOUR HUNDRED NINETY-SIX OF THE PENAL 7 LAW; OR (II) INVOLVING LARCENY FROM OR AN INTENT TO DEFRAUD THESTATE, 8 ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION, PUBLIC AUTHORITY, OR PUBLIC BENEFIT CORPO-9 RATION OF THE STATE; OR (III) COMMITTED BY OR IN CONCERT WITH A PUBLIC 10 SERVANT RELATING TO HIS OR HER PUBLIC OFFICE, AS THOSE TERMS ARE USED IN WHERE APPROPRIATE PROSECUTE THE PERSON OR PERSONS 11 THE PENAL LAW; AND 12 BELIEVED TO HAVE COMMITTED THE SAME AND ANY CRIME OR OFFENSE ARISING OUT OF SUCH INVESTIGATION OR PROSECUTION OR BOTH, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED 13 14 TO APPEARING BEFORE AND PRESENTING ALL SUCH MATTERS TO A GRAND JURY.

15 S 7. This act shall take effect immediately, provided, however that: 16 sections one, two, three, four and five of this act shall take effect on 17 the ninetieth day after it shall have become a law.

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PART B

19 Section 1. Paragraphs (h), (i), and (j) of subdivision 8 of section 20 157 of the retirement and social security law, as amended by section 13 21 of part CC of chapter 56 of the laws of 2015, are amended to read as 22 follows:

23 (h) The proportionality of forfeiture of all or part of the pension to 24 the crime committed; AND

25 (i) [The years of service in public office by the defendant where no 26 criminal activity has been found by a court; and

(j)] Any such other factors as, in the judgment of the supreme court,
justice may require; PROVIDED HOWEVER, THAT, IN DETERMINING WHETHER THE
PENSION SHALL BE REDUCED OR REVOKED, THE SUPREME COURT SHALL NOT CONSIDER THE YEARS OF SERVICE IN PUBLIC OFFICE BY THE DEFENDANT WHERE NO CRIMINAL ACTIVITY WAS DETECTED OR FOUND BY A COURT OR APPROPRIATE LAW
ENFORCEMENT AGENCY.

33 S 2. Subdivision 10 of section 157 of the retirement and social secu-34 rity law, as amended by section 12 of part CC of chapter 56 of the laws 35 of 2015, is amended to read as follows:

36 10. [(a)] Upon a finding by the court by clear and convincing evidence 37 that the defendant knowingly and intentionally committed a crime related 38 public office, the court may issue an order to the appropriate to retirement system to reduce or revoke the defendant's pension to which 39 or she is otherwise entitled as such a public official. All orders 40 he and findings made by the court pursuant to this section shall be served 41 42 the attorney general or the district attorney, as the case may be by 43 upon the chief administrator of the defendant's retirement system and 44 the defendant.

45 Ιf the court issues an order pursuant to paragraph (a) of this [(b) 46 subdivision, the court shall order payment of a portion of such pension 47 benefit to: (1) the innocent spouse if so requested by such spouse payable at the time the public official would have been eligible for retire-48 49 such spouse has not otherwise waived, in writing, his or her if ment right to such benefit; and (2) innocent minor children and other depen-50 dents pursuant to law of the public official in an amount that the court 51 52 finds just and proper consistent with the pension benefits to which the 53 public official would be entitled and the portion of those benefits which would be used for the support of such minor children or dependents 54

pursuant to law. Such payment to the innocent spouse shall be computed 1 2 pursuant to paragraph (c) of this subdivision, and payments pursuant to 3 subparagraphs one and two of this paragraph shall be adjusted to reflect 4 interest accrued between the time of such conviction and the time of 5 such payment. 6 (c) When determining the amount of benefits which the defendant's 7 spouse is entitled to receive, the factors contained in parainnocent graph d of subdivision five of part B of section two hundred thirty-six 8 of the domestic relations law shall be considered by the court. However, 9 10 when determining such apportionment, the court shall not annul or modify any prior court order regarding such benefits.] 11 12 The legislative law is amended by adding a new section 5-b to S 3. 13 read as follows: 14 S 5-B. PROHIBITION OF OUTSIDE EARNED INCOME FOR MEMBERS. 1. A MEMBER 15 OF THE LEGISLATURE SHALL BE PROHIBITED FROM PERFORMING ANY ACTIVITY FOR COMPENSATION THAT RESULTS IN OUTSIDE EARNED INCOME, EXCEPT AS AUTHORIZED 16 17 BY THIS SECTION. 2. A. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, THE TERM "OUTSIDE 18 EARNED INCOME" 19 SHALL INCLUDE, BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO, WAGES, SALARIES, FEES AND OTHER 20 FORMS OF COMPENSATION FOR SERVICES ACTUALLY RENDERED. 21 B. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, THE TERM "OUTSIDE EARNED INCOME" 22 SHALL NOT INCLUDE: 23 (1) SALARY, BENEFITS AND ALLOWANCES PAID BY THE STATE; 24 (2)INCOME AND ALLOWANCES ATTRIBUTABLE TO SERVICE IN THE RESERVES OF 25 THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES, NATIONAL GUARD OR OTHER ACTIVE 26 MILITARY SERVICE; 27 ROYALTIES FROM THE SALE OF A BOOK, ARTISTIC PERFORMANCE OR OTHER (3) 28 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT NO ADVANCE FEES SHALL ΒE 29 PERMITTED; OR 30 (4) A PENSION, INVESTMENT, CAPITAL GAINS OR OTHER EARNINGS ACCRUED 31 FROM PRIOR EMPLOYMENT OR ACTUAL SERVICES RENDERED PRIOR TO THE MEMBER 32 TAKING OFFICE. 33 3. A MEMBER OF THE LEGISLATURE WHO KNOWINGLY AND WILLFULLY VIOLATES 34 THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE SUBJECT TO A CIVIL PENALTY IN AN 35 AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS. ASSESSMENT A CIVIL OF 36 SHALL BE MADE BY THE JOINT COMMISSION ON PUBLIC ETHICS. SUCH PENALTY 37 COMMISSION, MAY, IN LIEU OF OR IN ADDITION TO A CIVIL PENALTY, REFER Α 38 VIOLATION TO THE APPROPRIATE PROSECUTOR. 39 4. WILLFUL VIOLATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION IS PUNISHABLE 40 AS A CLASS A MISDEMEANOR. S 4. Subdivision 2 of section 5 of the legislative law, as added by 41 section 7 of part CC of chapter 56 of the laws of 2015, is amended to 42 read as follows: 43 44 2. (a) Each member of the legislature, upon verification of attend-45 ance, which shall be by electronic verification when practicable, in compliance with the policies set forth by the speaker of the assembly 46 and the temporary president of the senate for their respective bodies, 47 48 shall be eligible to receive payment of actual and necessary travel [and a per diem equivalent to the most recent federal per diem 49 expenses 50 rates published by the general services administration as set forth in 51 CFR (Code of Federal Regulations) Part 301, App. A,] for the time in 41 which the member was in travel status in the performance of his or her 52 53 duties during the months in which the legislature is scheduled to be in 54 regular session. During the months when the legislature is not scheduled to be in regular session, members shall receive such actual and neces-55 56 sary travel expenses [and per diems], in compliance with verification

policies and in accord with standards and limits for reimbursable events 1 2 set forth by the speaker of the assembly and the temporary president of 3 the senate for their respective bodies. [The per diem allowances including partial per diem allowances shall be made on audit and warrant of 4 5 the comptroller on vouchers approved by the temporary president of the 6 senate or his or her designee and speaker of the assembly or his or her 7 designee for their respective houses.]

8 (b) Each house shall make available on its website all documentation otherwise available to the public pursuant to section eighty-eight of 9 10 the public officers law related to the payment of travel expenses [and 11 per diems].

12 S 5. Subdivision 3 of section 2 of part E of chapter 60 of the laws of 13 2015, establishing a commission on legislative, judicial and executive 14 compensation, is amended to read as follows:

15 3. In discharging its responsibilities under subdivision two of this 16 section, the commission shall take into account all appropriate factors 17 including, but not limited to: the overall economic climate; rates of inflation; changes in public-sector spending; the levels of compensation 18 19 and non-salary benefits received by executive branch officials and legislators of other states and of the federal government; the levels of 20 21 compensation and non-salary benefits received by professionals in 22 government, academia and private and nonprofit enterprise; and the 23 state's ability to fund increases in compensation and non-salary bene-24 fits. THE FIRST COMMISSION THAT MEETS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE 25 CHAPTER OF THE LAWS OF 2015 THAT AMENDED THIS SUBDIVISION SHALL RECOM-26 MEND A LEVEL OF COMPENSATION FOR MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE THAT IS NOT 27 LESS THAN \$112,500 AND NOT MORE THAN \$174,000. EACH SUBSEQUENT COMMIS-SHALL RECOMMEND A SALARY FOR MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE NOT LESS 28 SION THAN THE THEN EXISTING COMPENSATION PLUS AN INCREASE COMMENSURATE 29 WITH COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENTS PROVIDED TO OTHER STATE EMPLOYEES. 30

S 6. This act shall take effect immediately; provided, however that:

32 section two of this act shall take effect on the same date and in (a) 33 the same manner as part CC of chapter 56 of the laws of 2015 takes 34 effect; and (b) section three of this act shall take effect on January 1, 2017.

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PART C

37 Section 1. The article heading of article 14 of the election law is 38 amended to read as follows:

39 [Campaign Receipts and Expenditures] CAMPAIGN RECEIPTS AND EXPENDI-40 TURES; PUBLIC FINANCING

41 2. Sections 14-100 through 14-130 of article 14 of the election law S 42 are designated title I and a new title heading is added to read as 43 follows:

CAMPAIGN RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

of the election law is amended by adding a new 45 14-100 S 3. Section 46 subdivision 15 to read as follows:

47 15. "AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE" MEANS THE SINGLE POLITICAL COMMITTEE DESIG-48 NATED BY A CANDIDATE TO RECEIVE ALL CONTRIBUTIONS AUTHORIZED ΒY THIS 49 TITLE.

4. 50 S Section 3-104 of the election law is amended by adding a new 51 subdivision 9 to read as follows:

52 9. THERE SHALL BE A UNIT KNOWN AS THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS PUBLIC 53 FINANCING UNIT ESTABLISHED WITHIN THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS, WHICH 54 SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ADMINISTERING AND, WITH THE DIVISION OF 1 ELECTION LAW ENFORCEMENT, ENFORCING THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE PUBLIC 2 FINANCING SYSTEM SET FORTH IN TITLE TWO OF ARTICLE FOURTEEN OF THIS 3 CHAPTER.

4 S 5. Subdivisions 1 and 10 of section 14-114 of the election law, 5 subdivision 1 as amended and subdivision 10 as added by chapter 79 of 6 the laws of 1992 and paragraphs a and b of subdivision 1 as amended by 7 chapter 659 of the laws of 1994, are amended to read as follows:

8 1. The following limitations apply to all contributions to candidates for election to any public office or for nomination for any such office, 9 10 for election to any party positions, and to all contributions to or 11 political committees working directly or indirectly with any candidate to aid or participate in such candidate's nomination or election, other 12 13 than any contributions to any party committee or constituted committee: a. In any election for a public office to be voted on by the voters of 14 15 the entire state, or for nomination to any such office, no contributor 16 may make a contribution to any candidate or political committee PARTIC-IPATING IN THE STATE'S PUBLIC CAMPAIGN FINANCING SYSTEM AS DEFINED 17 IN 18 TITLE TWO OF THIS ARTICLE, and no SUCH candidate or political committee 19 may accept any contribution from any contributor, which is in the aggregate amount greater than: (i) in the case of any nomination to public 20 21 office, the product of the total number of enrolled voters in the candi-22 date's party in the state, excluding voters in inactive status, multiplied by \$.005, but such amount shall be not [less than four thousand 23 dollars nor] more than [twelve] FIVE thousand dollars [as increased or 24 25 decreased by the cost of living adjustment described in paragraph c of 26 this subdivision,] and (ii) in the case of any election to [a] SUCH public office, [twenty-five] FIVE thousand dollars [as increased or decreased by the cost of living adjustment described in paragraph c of 27 28 29 this subdivision]; provided however, that the maximum amount which may 30 be so contributed or accepted, in the aggregate, from any candidate's child, parent, grandparent, brother and sister, and the spouse of 31 any 32 such persons, shall not exceed in the case of any nomination to public 33 office an amount equivalent to the product of the number of enrolled voters in the candidate's party in the state, excluding voters in inac-tive status, multiplied by \$.025, and in the case of any election for a 34 35 public office, an amount equivalent to the product of the number of 36 37 registered voters in the state excluding voters in inactive status, 38 multiplied by \$.025.

39 b. In any other election for party position or for election to a 40 public office or for nomination for any such office, no contributor may make a contribution to any candidate or political committee PARTICIPAT-41 ING IN THE STATE'S PUBLIC CAMPAIGN FINANCING SYSTEM DEFINED IN TITLE TWO 42 43 OF THIS ARTICLE (FOR THOSE OFFICES OR POSITIONS COVERED BY THAT SYSTEM) 44 and no SUCH candidate or political committee may accept any contribution 45 from any contributor, which is in the aggregate amount greater than: (i) the case of any election for party position, or for nomination to 46 in 47 public office, the product of the total number of enrolled voters in the 48 candidate's party in the district in which he is a candidate, excluding voters in inactive status, multiplied by \$.05, and (ii) in the case of 49 50 any election for a public office, the product of the total number of 51 registered voters in the district, excluding voters in inactive status, 52 multiplied by \$.05, however in the case of a nomination within the city of New York for the office of mayor, public advocate or comptroller, 53 54 such amount shall be not less than four thousand dollars nor more than 55 twelve thousand dollars as increased or decreased by the cost of living adjustment described in paragraph [c] E of this subdivision; in the case 56

of an election within the city of New York for the office of mayor, 1 2 public or comptroller, twenty-five thousand dollars as advocate 3 increased or decreased by the cost of living adjustment described in 4 paragraph [c] E of this subdivision; in the case of a nomination OR ELECTION for state senator, [four] THREE thousand dollars [as 5 increased 6 decreased by the cost of living adjustment described in paragraph c or 7 of this subdivision; in the case of an election for state senator, six 8 thousand two hundred fifty dollars as increased or decreased by the cost living adjustment described in paragraph c of this subdivision]; in 9 of 10 the case of an election or nomination for a member of the assembly, 11 [twenty-five hundred] TWO THOUSAND dollars [as increased or decreased by 12 the cost of living adjustment described in paragraph c of this subdivi-13 sion; but in no event shall any such maximum exceed fifty thousand 14 dollars or be less than one thousand dollars]; provided however, that 15 the maximum amount which may be so contributed or accepted, in the 16 aggregate, from any candidate's child, parent, grandparent, brother and 17 sister, and the spouse of any such persons, shall not exceed in the case 18 of any election for party position or nomination for public office an 19 amount equivalent to the number of enrolled voters in the candidate's 20 party in the district in which he is a candidate, excluding voters in 21 inactive status, multiplied by \$.25 and in the case of any election to 22 public office, an amount equivalent to the number of registered voters in the district, excluding voters in inactive status, multiplied by \$.25; or twelve hundred fifty dollars, whichever is greater, or in the 23 24 25 case of a nomination or election of a state senator, twenty thousand 26 dollars, whichever is greater, or in the case of a nomination or election of a member of the assembly twelve thousand five hundred 27 28 dollars, whichever is greater, but in no event shall any such maximum 29 exceed one hundred thousand dollars.

IN ANY ELECTION FOR A PUBLIC OFFICE TO BE VOTED ON BY THE VOTERS 30 С. OF THE ENTIRE STATE, OR FOR NOMINATION TO ANY SUCH OFFICE, NO CONTRIBU-31 32 TOR MAY MAKE A CONTRIBUTION TO ANY CANDIDATE OR POLITICAL COMMITTEE IN 33 CONNECTION WITH A CANDIDATE WHO IS NOT A PARTICIPATING CANDIDATE AS 34 DEFINED IN SUBDIVISION FOURTEEN OF SECTION 14-200 OF THIS ARTICLE, AND NO SUCH CANDIDATE OR POLITICAL COMMITTEE MAY ACCEPT 35 ANY CONTRIBUTION CONTRIBUTOR, WHICH IS IN THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT GREATER THAN: 36 FROM ANY 37 (I) IN THE CASE OF ANY NOMINATION TO PUBLIC OFFICE, THE PRODUCT OF THE TOTAL NUMBER OF ENROLLED VOTERS IN THE CANDIDATE'S PARTY IN THE STATE, 38 39 EXCLUDING VOTERS IN INACTIVE STATUS, MULTIPLIED BY \$.005, BUT SUCH 40 SHALL BE NOT LESS THAN FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS NOR MORE THAN FIVE AMOUNT THOUSAND DOLLARS, AND (II) IN THE CASE OF ANY ELECTION 41 ΤΟ Α PUBLIC OFFICE, FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS; PROVIDED HOWEVER, THAT THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT 42 43 WHICH MAY BE SO CONTRIBUTED OR ACCEPTED, IN THE AGGREGATE, FROM ANY 44 CANDIDATE'S CHILD, PARENT, GRANDPARENT, BROTHER AND SISTER, AND THE 45 SPOUSE OF ANY SUCH PERSONS, SHALL NOT EXCEED IN THE CASE OF ANY NOMI-NATION TO PUBLIC OFFICE AN AMOUNT EQUIVALENT TO THE 46 PRODUCT OF THE 47 NUMBER OF ENROLLED VOTERS IN THE CANDIDATE'S PARTY IN THE STATE, EXCLUD-48 ING VOTERS IN INACTIVE STATUS, MULTIPLIED BY \$.025, AND IN THE CASE OF ANY ELECTION FOR A PUBLIC OFFICE, AN AMOUNT EQUIVALENT TO THE PRODUCT OF 49 50 THE NUMBER OF REGISTERED VOTERS IN THE STATE EXCLUDING VOTERS ININAC-51 TIVE STATUS, MULTIPLIED BY \$.025.

ANY OTHER ELECTION FOR PARTY POSITION OR FOR ELECTION TO A 52 D. IN 53 PUBLIC OFFICE OR FOR NOMINATION FOR ANY SUCH OFFICE, NO CONTRIBUTOR MAY 54 MAKE Α CONTRIBUTION TO ANY CANDIDATE OR POLITICAL COMMITTEE IN 55 CONNECTION WITH A CANDIDATE WHO IS NOT A PARTICIPATING CANDIDATE AS 56 DEFINED IN SUBDIVISION FOURTEEN OF SECTION 14-200 OF THIS ARTICLE AND NO

SUCH CANDIDATE OR POLITICAL COMMITTEE MAY ACCEPT ANY CONTRIBUTION FROM 1 ANY CONTRIBUTOR, WHICH IS IN THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT GREATER THAN: 2 (I) IN 3 THE CASE OF ANY ELECTION FOR PARTY POSITION, OR FOR NOMINATION TO PUBLIC 4 OFFICE, THE PRODUCT OF THE TOTAL NUMBER OF ENROLLED VOTERS IN THE CANDI-5 DATE'S PARTY THE DISTRICT IN WHICH HE IS A CANDIDATE, EXCLUDING IN 6 VOTERS IN INACTIVE STATUS, MULTIPLIED BY \$.05, AND (II) IN THE CASE OF 7 ELECTION FOR A PUBLIC OFFICE, THE PRODUCT OF THE TOTAL NUMBER OF ANY 8 REGISTERED VOTERS IN THE DISTRICT, EXCLUDING VOTERS IN INACTIVE STATUS, MULTIPLIED BY \$.05, HOWEVER IN THE CASE OF A NOMINATION WITHIN THE CITY 9 10 OF NEW YORK FOR THE OFFICE OF MAYOR, PUBLIC ADVOCATE OR COMPTROLLER, 11 SHALL BE NOT LESS THAN FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS NOR MORE THAN SUCH AMOUNT 12 TWELVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AS INCREASED OR DECREASED BY THE COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENT DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH E OF THIS SUBDIVISION; IN THE CASE OF 13 14 AN ELECTION WITHIN THE CITY OF NEW YORK FOR THE OFFICE OF MAYOR, PUBLIC 15 ADVOCATE OR COMPTROLLER, TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AS INCREASED OR 16 DECREASED BY THE COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENT DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH E OF SUBDIVISION; 17 IN THE CASE OF A NOMINATION OR ELECTION FOR STATE THIS 18 SENATOR, THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS; IN THE CASE OF AN ELECTION OR NOMI-19 NATION FOR A MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY, TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS; PROVIDED 20 MAXIMUM AMOUNT HOWEVER, THAT THE WHICH MAY BE SO CONTRIBUTED OR 21 ACCEPTED, INTHE AGGREGATE, FROM ANY CANDIDATE'S CHILD, PARENT, GRAND-22 PARENT, BROTHER AND SISTER, AND THE SPOUSE OF ANY SUCH PERSONS, SHALL EXCEED IN THE CASE OF ANY ELECTION FOR PARTY POSITION OR NOMINATION 23 NOT 24 FOR PUBLIC OFFICE AN AMOUNT EQUIVALENT TO THE NUMBER OF ENROLLED VOTERS 25 CANDIDATE'S PARTY IN THE DISTRICT IN WHICH HE IS A CANDIDATE, THE IΝ 26 EXCLUDING VOTERS IN INACTIVE STATUS, MULTIPLIED BY \$.25 AND IN THE CASE 27 ANY ELECTION TO PUBLIC OFFICE, AN AMOUNT EQUIVALENT TO THE NUMBER OF OF 28 REGISTERED VOTERS IN THE DISTRICT, EXCLUDING VOTERS IN INACTIVE STATUS, MULTIPLIED BY \$.25; OR TWELVE HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS, WHICHEVER IS GREAT-29 ER, OR IN THE CASE OF A NOMINATION OR ELECTION OF A STATE SENATOR, TWEN-30 THOUSAND DOLLARS, WHICHEVER IS GREATER, OR IN THE CASE OF A NOMI-31 ΤY 32 NATION OR ELECTION OF A MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY TWELVE THOUSAND FIVE 33 WHICHEVER IS GREATER, BUT IN NO EVENT SHALL ANY SUCH HUNDRED DOLLARS, MAXIMUM EXCEED ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS. 34

35 E. At the beginning of each fourth calendar year, commencing in [nineteen hundred ninety-five] TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-ONE, the state board shall 36 determine the percentage of the difference between the most recent 37 available monthly consumer price index for all urban consumers published 38 39 by the United States bureau of labor statistics and such consumer price 40 index published for the same month four years previously. The amount of each contribution limit fixed in this subdivision shall be adjusted by 41 the amount of such percentage difference to the closest one hundred 42 43 dollars by the state board which, not later than the first day of Febru-44 ary in each such year, shall issue a regulation publishing the amount of 45 each such contribution limit. Each contribution limit as so adjusted 46 shall be the contribution limit in effect for any election held before 47 the next such adjustment.

48 F. EACH PARTY OR CONSTITUTED COMMITTEE MAY TRANSFER TO, OR SPEND TO 49 ELECT OR OPPOSE A CANDIDATE, OR TRANSFER TO ANOTHER PARTY OR CONSTITUTED 50 COMMITTEE, NO MORE THAN FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS PER ELECTION, AS INCREASED 51 OR DECREASED BY THE COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENTS DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH E 52 OF THIS SUBDIVISION EXCEPT THAT SUCH COMMITTEE MAY IN ADDITION TO SUCH 53 TRANSFERS OR EXPENDITURES:

54 (I) IN A GENERAL OR SPECIAL ELECTION TRANSFER TO, OR SPEND TO ELECT OR 55 OPPOSE A CANDIDATE, NO MORE THAN FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS AS INCREASED OR

DECREASED BY THE COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENTS DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH E OF 1 2 THIS SUBDIVISION RECEIVED FROM EACH CONTRIBUTOR; AND 3 SPEND WITHOUT LIMITATION (II)IN ANY ELECTION FOR NON-CANDIDATE 4 EXPENDITURES NOT DESIGNED OR INTENDED TO ELECT A PARTICULAR CANDIDATE OR 5 CANDIDATES. 6 FOR PURPOSES OF THIS PARAGRAPH, "SPEND TO ELECT OR OPPOSE" DOES NOT 7 SPENDING THAT IS INDEPENDENT OF THE CANDIDATE OR HIS OR HER INCLUDE 8 AGENTS OR AUTHORIZED POLITICAL COMMITTEES. 9 G. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER CONTRIBUTION LIMIT INTHIS SECTION, 10 PARTICIPATING CANDIDATES AS DEFINED IN SUBDIVISION FOURTEEN OF SECTION 14-200 OF THIS ARTICLE MAY CONTRIBUTE, OUT OF OWN THREE 11 THEIR MONEY, THE APPLICABLE CONTRIBUTION LIMIT TO THEIR OWN AUTHORIZED COMMIT-12 TIMES 13 TEE. 14 10. [a.] No contributor may make a contribution to a party or consti-15 tuted committee and no such committee may accept a contribution from any contributor which, in the aggregate, is greater than [sixty-two thousand 16 17 five hundred] TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND dollars per annum. [b. At the beginning of each fourth calendar year, commencing in nine-18 19 teen hundred ninety-five, the state board shall determine the percentage the difference between the most recent available monthly consumer 20 of price index for all urban consumers published by the United States 21 22 bureau of labor statistics and such consumer price index published for the same month four years previously. The amount of such contribution 23 24 limit fixed in paragraph a of this subdivision shall be adjusted by the 25 amount of such percentage difference to the closest one hundred dollars the state board which, not later than the first day of February in 26 by 27 each such year, shall issue a regulation publishing the amount of such contribution limit. Such contribution limit as so adjusted shall be the 28 29 contribution limit in effect for any election held before the next such 30 adjustment.] 31 S 6. Article 14 of the election law is amended by adding a new title 32 II to read as follows: 33 TITLE II 34 PUBLIC FINANCING 35 SECTION 14-200. DEFINITIONS. 36 14-201. REPORTING REOUIREMENTS. 37 14-202. CONTRIBUTIONS. 14-203. PROOF OF COMPLIANCE. 38 39 14-204. ELIGIBILITY. 14-205. LIMITS ON PUBLIC FINANCING. 40 14-206. PAYMENT OF PUBLIC MATCHING FUNDS. 41 14-207. USE OF PUBLIC MATCHING FUNDS; QUALIFIED CAMPAIGN EXPEND-42 43 ITURES. 44 14-208. POWERS AND DUTIES OF BOARD. 45 14-209. AUDITS AND REPAYMENTS. 14-210. ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS 46 AND OTHER 47 PROCEEDINGS. 48 14-211. REPORTS. 14-212. DEBATES FOR CANDIDATES FOR STATEWIDE OFFICE. 49 50 14-213. SEVERABILITY. 51 14-200. DEFINITIONS. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS TITLE, THE FOLLOWING S TERMS SHALL HAVE THE FOLLOWING MEANINGS: 52 53 1. THE TERM "AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE" SHALL MEAN THESINGLE COMMITTEE 54 DESIGNATED BY A CANDIDATE PURSUANT TO SECTION 14-201 OF THIS TITLE TO 55 RECEIVE CONTRIBUTIONS AND MAKE EXPENDITURES IN SUPPORT OF THE CANDI-

56 DATE'S CAMPAIGN.

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2. THE TERM "BOARD" SHALL MEAN THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS. 1 2 3. THE TERM "CONTRIBUTION" SHALL HAVE THE SAME MEANING AS APPEARS IN 3 SUBDIVISION NINE OF SECTION 14-100 OF THIS ARTICLE. 4 4. THE TERM "CONTRIBUTOR" SHALL MEAN ANY PERSON OR ENTITY THAT MAKES A 5 CONTRIBUTION. 6 5. THE TERM "COVERED ELECTION" SHALL MEAN ANY PRIMARY, GENERAL, OR 7 SPECIAL ELECTION FOR NOMINATION FOR ELECTION, OR ELECTION, TO THE OFFICE 8 OF GOVERNOR, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR, ATTORNEY GENERAL, STATE COMPTROLLER, STATE SENATOR, OR MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY. 9 10 6. THE TERM "ELECTION CYCLE" SHALL MEAN THE TWO YEAR PERIOD STARTING THE DAY AFTER THE LAST GENERAL ELECTION FOR CANDIDATES FOR THE STATE 11 LEGISLATURE AND SHALL MEAN THE FOUR YEAR PERIOD STARTING AFTER 12 THE DAY AFTER THE LAST GENERAL ELECTION FOR CANDIDATES FOR STATEWIDE OFFICE. 13 14 7. THE TERM "EXPENDITURE" SHALL MEAN ANY GIFT, SUBSCRIPTION, ADVANCE, 15 PAYMENT, OR DEPOSIT OF MONEY OR ANYTHING OF VALUE, OR A CONTRACT TO MAKE ANY GIFT, SUBSCRIPTION, PAYMENT, OR DEPOSIT OF MONEY OR ANYTHING OF 16 17 VALUE, MADE IN CONNECTION WITH THE NOMINATION FOR ELECTION, OR ELECTION, 18 OF ANY CANDIDATE. EXPENDITURES MADE BY CONTRACT ARE DEEMED MADE WHEN 19 SUCH FUNDS ARE OBLIGATED. 20 8. THE TERM "FUND" SHALL MEAN THE NEW YORK STATE CAMPAIGN FINANCE 21 FUND. 22 9. THE TERM "IMMEDIATE FAMILY" SHALL MEAN A SPOUSE, CHILD, SIBLING OR 23 PARENT. 10. THE TERM "INTERMEDIARY" SHALL MEAN AN INDIVIDUAL, CORPORATION, 24 25 PARTNERSHIP, POLITICAL COMMITTEE, EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATION OR OTHER ENTITY 26 WHICH BUNDLES, CAUSES TO BE DELIVERED OR OTHERWISE DELIVERS ANY CONTRIB-27 UTION FROM ANOTHER PERSON OR ENTITY TO A CANDIDATE OR AUTHORIZED COMMIT-TEE, OTHER THAN IN THE REGULAR COURSE OF BUSINESS AS A POSTAL, 28 DELIVERY 29 OR MESSENGER SERVICE. PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT AN "INTERMEDIARY" SHALL NOT INCLUDE SPOUSES, DOMESTIC PARTNERS, PARENTS, CHILDREN OR SIBLINGS OF 30 THE PERSON MAKING SUCH CONTRIBUTION OR A STAFF MEMBER OR VOLUNTEER OF 31 32 THE CAMPAIGN IDENTIFIED IN WRITING TO THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS. HERE 33 "CAUSES TO BE DELIVERED" SHALL INCLUDE PROVIDING POSTAGE, ENVELOPES OR OTHER SHIPPING MATERIALS FOR THE USE OF DELIVERING THE CONTRIBUTION 34 TO 35 THE ULTIMATE RECIPIENT. 11. THE TERM "ITEM WITH SIGNIFICANT INTRINSIC AND ENDURING VALUE" 36 37 SHALL MEAN ANY ITEM, INCLUDING TICKETS TO AN EVENT, THAT ARE VALUED AT 38 TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS OR MORE. 39 12. (A) THE TERM "MATCHABLE CONTRIBUTION" SHALL MEAN A CONTRIBUTION, 40 CONTRIBUTIONS OR A PORTION OF A CONTRIBUTION OR CONTRIBUTIONS FOR ANY 41 COVERED ELECTIONS HELD IN THE SAME ELECTION CYCLE, MADE BY A NATURAL PERSON WHO IS A UNITED STATES CITIZEN AND RESIDENT IN THE STATE OF NEW 42 43 YORK TO A PARTICIPATING CANDIDATE, THAT HAS BEEN REPORTED IN FULL TO THE 44 BOARD IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTIONS 14-102 AND 14-104 OF THIS ARTICLE BY 45 THE CANDIDATE'S AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE AND HAS BEEN CONTRIBUTED ON OR BEFORE THE DAY OF THE APPLICABLE PRIMARY, GENERAL, RUNOFF OR SPECIAL 46 47 ELECTION. ANY CONTRIBUTION, CONTRIBUTIONS, OR A PORTION OF A CONTRIB-48 UTION DETERMINED TO BE INVALID FOR MATCHING FUNDS BY THE BOARD MAY NOT 49 BE TREATED AS A MATCHABLE CONTRIBUTION FOR ANY PURPOSE. 50 (B) THE FOLLOWING CONTRIBUTIONS ARE NOT MATCHABLE: 51 (I) LOANS; 52 (II) IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS OF PROPERTY, GOODS, OR SERVICES; (III) CONTRIBUTIONS IN THE FORM OF THE PURCHASE PRICE PAID FOR AN ITEM 53 54 WITH SIGNIFICANT INTRINSIC AND ENDURING VALUE; 55 (IV) TRANSFERS FROM A PARTY OR CONSTITUTED COMMITTEE;

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1	(V) ANONYMOUS CONTRIBUTIONS OR CONTRIBUTIONS WHOSE SOURCE IS NOT ITEM-
2	IZED AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 14-201 OF THIS TITLE;
3	(VI) CONTRIBUTIONS GATHERED DURING A PREVIOUS ELECTION CYCLE;
4	(VII) ILLEGAL CONTRIBUTIONS;
5	(VIII) CONTRIBUTIONS FROM MINORS;
6	(IX) CONTRIBUTIONS FROM VENDORS FOR CAMPAIGNS; AND
7	(X) CONTRIBUTIONS FROM LOBBYISTS REGISTERED PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION
8	(A) OF SECTION ONE-C OF THE LEGISLATIVE LAW.
9	13. THE TERM "NONPARTICIPATING CANDIDATE" SHALL MEAN A CANDIDATE FOR A
10	COVERED ELECTION WHO FAILS TO FILE A WRITTEN CERTIFICATION IN THE FORM
11	OF AN AFFIDAVIT UNDER SECTION 14-204 OF THIS TITLE BY THE APPLICABLE
12	DEADLINE.
13	14. THE TERM "PARTICIPATING CANDIDATE" SHALL MEAN ANY CANDIDATE FOR
14	NOMINATION FOR ELECTION, OR ELECTION, TO THE OFFICE OF GOVERNOR, LIEU-
15	TENANT GOVERNOR, ATTORNEY GENERAL, STATE COMPTROLLER, STATE SENATOR, OR
16	MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY WHO FILES A WRITTEN CERTIFICATION IN THE FORM OF
17	AN AFFIDAVIT PURSUANT TO SECTION 14-204 OF THIS TITLE.
18	15. THE TERM "POST-ELECTION PERIOD" SHALL MEAN THE FIVE YEARS FOLLOW-
19	ING AN ELECTION WHEN A CANDIDATE IS SUBJECT TO AN AUDIT.
20	16. THE TERM "QUALIFIED CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE" SHALL MEAN AN EXPENDI-
21	TURE FOR WHICH PUBLIC MATCHING FUNDS MAY BE USED.
22	17. THE TERM "THRESHOLD FOR ELIGIBILITY" SHALL MEAN THE AMOUNT OF
23	MATCHABLE CONTRIBUTIONS THAT A CANDIDATE'S AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE MUST
24	RECEIVE IN TOTAL IN ORDER FOR SUCH CANDIDATE TO QUALIFY FOR VOLUNTARY
25	PUBLIC FINANCING UNDER THIS TITLE.
26	18. THE TERM "TRANSFER" SHALL MEAN ANY EXCHANGE OF FUNDS BETWEEN A
27	PARTY OR CONSTITUTED COMMITTEE AND A CANDIDATE OR ANY OF HIS OR HER
28	AUTHORIZED COMMITTEES.
29	S 14-201. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS. 1. POLITICAL COMMITTEE REGISTRA-
30	TION. POLITICAL COMMITTEES AS DEFINED PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION ONE OF
31	SECTION 14-100 OF THIS ARTICLE SHALL REGISTER WITH THE BOARD BEFORE
32	MAKING ANY CONTRIBUTION OR EXPENDITURE. THE BOARD SHALL PUBLISH A CUMU-
33	LATIVE LIST OF POLITICAL COMMITTEES THAT HAVE REGISTERED, INCLUDING ON
34 35	ITS WEBPAGE, AND REGULARLY UPDATE IT. 2. ONLY ONE AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE PER CANDIDATE PER ELECTIVE OFFICE
36	SOUGHT. BEFORE RECEIVING ANY CONTRIBUTION OR MAKING ANY EXPENDITURE FOR
37	A COVERED ELECTION, EACH CANDIDATE SHALL NOTIFY THE BOARD AS TO THE
38	EXISTENCE OF HIS OR HER AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE THAT HAS BEEN APPROVED BY
39	SUCH CANDIDATE. EACH CANDIDATE SHALL HAVE ONE AND ONLY ONE AUTHORIZED
40	COMMITTEE PER ELECTIVE OFFICE SOUGHT. EACH AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE SHALL
41	HAVE A TREASURER AND IS SUBJECT TO THE RESTRICTIONS FOUND IN SECTION
42	14-112 OF THIS ARTICLE.
43	3. DISCLOSURE REPORTS. (A) DETAILED REPORTING. IN ADDITION TO EACH
44	AUTHORIZED AND POLITICAL COMMITTEE REPORTING TO THE BOARD EVERY CONTRIB-
45	UTION AND LOAN RECEIVED AND EVERY EXPENDITURE MADE IN THE TIME AND
46	MANNER PRESCRIBED BY SECTIONS 14-102, 14-104 AND 14-108 OF THIS ARTICLE,
47	EACH AUTHORIZED AND POLITICAL COMMITTEE SHALL ALSO SUBMIT DISCLOSURE
48	REPORTS ON MARCH FIFTEENTH AND MAY FIFTEENTH OF EACH ELECTION YEAR
49	REPORTING TO THE BOARD EVERY CONTRIBUTION AND LOAN RECEIVED AND EVERY
50	EXPENDITURE MADE. FOR CONTRIBUTORS WHO MAKE CONTRIBUTIONS OF FIVE
51	HUNDRED DOLLARS OR MORE, EACH AUTHORIZED AND POLITICAL COMMITTEE SHALL
52	REPORT TO THE BOARD THE OCCUPATION, AND BUSINESS ADDRESS OF EACH
53	CONTRIBUTOR, LENDER, AND INTERMEDIARY. THE BOARD SHALL REVISE, PREPARE
54	AND POST FORMS ON ITS WEBPAGE THAT FACILITATE COMPLIANCE WITH THE
55	REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION.

BOARD REVIEW. THE BOARD'S PUBLIC FINANCING UNIT SHALL REVIEW EACH 1 (B) 2 DISCLOSURE REPORT FILED AND SHALL INFORM AUTHORIZED AND POLITICAL 3 COMMITTEES OF RELEVANT QUESTIONS THE UNIT HAS CONCERNING: (I) COMPLIANCE 4 WITH REQUIREMENTS OF THIS TITLE AND OF THE RULES ISSUED BY THE BOARD; 5 (II) QUALIFICATION FOR RECEIVING PUBLIC MATCHING FUNDS PURSUANT TO AND 6 THIS TITLE. IN THE COURSE OF THIS REVIEW, THE UNIT SHALL GIVE AUTHORIZED 7 AND POLITICAL COMMITTEES AN OPPORTUNITY TO RESPOND TO AND CORRECT POTEN-8 TIAL VIOLATIONS AND GIVE CANDIDATES AN OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS QUESTIONS 9 UNIT HAS CONCERNING THEIR MATCHABLE CONTRIBUTION CLAIMS OR OTHER THE 10 ISSUES CONCERNING ELIGIBILITY FOR RECEIVING PUBLIC MATCHING FUNDS PURSU-11 ANT TO THIS TITLE. NOTHING IN THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL PRECLUDE THE UNIT OR 12 THE BOARD FROM SUBSEQUENTLY REVIEWING SUCH DISCLOSURE REPORTS AND TAKING 13 ANY ACTION OTHERWISE AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS TITLE.

14 (C) ITEMIZATION. CONTRIBUTIONS THAT ARE NOT ITEMIZED IN REPORTS FILED 15 WITH THE BOARD SHALL NOT BE MATCHABLE.

16 (D) OPTION TO FILE MORE FREQUENTLY. PARTICIPATING CANDIDATES MAY FILE REPORTS OF CONTRIBUTIONS AS FREQUENTLY AS ONCE A WEEK ON FRIDAYS SO THAT 17 THEIR MATCHING FUNDS MAY BE PAID AT THE EARLIEST ALLOWABLE DATE. 18

19 14-202. CONTRIBUTIONS. RECIPIENTS OF FUNDS PURSUANT TO THIS TITLE S 20 SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE APPLICABLE CONTRIBUTION LIMITS SET FORTH IN 21 SECTION 14-114 OF THIS ARTICLE.

22 14-203. PROOF OF COMPLIANCE. AUTHORIZED AND POLITICAL COMMITTEES S 23 SHALL MAINTAIN SUCH RECORDS OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FOR A COVERED 24 ELECTION AS REQUIRED BY THE BOARD. AUTHORIZED AND POLITICAL COMMITTEES 25 SHALL OBTAIN AND FURNISH TO THE PUBLIC FINANCING UNIT ANY INFORMATION IT 26 MAY REQUEST RELATING TO FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS OR CONTRIBUTIONS AND 27 FURNISH SUCH DOCUMENTATION AND OTHER PROOF OF COMPLIANCE WITH THIS TITLE 28 MAY BE REQUESTED. IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 14-108 OF THIS ARTICLE, AS 29 AUTHORIZED AND POLITICAL COMMITTEES SHALL MAINTAIN COPIES OF SUCH 30 RECORDS FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE YEARS.

14-204. ELIGIBILITY. 1. TERMS AND CONDITIONS. TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR 31 S VOLUNTARY PUBLIC FINANCING UNDER THIS TITLE, A CANDIDATE MUST: 32

33 (A) BE A CANDIDATE IN A COVERED ELECTION;

34 (B) MEET ALL THE REOUIREMENTS OF LAW TO HAVE HIS OR HER NAME ON THE 35 BALLOT;

IN THE CASE OF A COVERED GENERAL OR SPECIAL ELECTION, BE OPPOSED 36 (C) 37 BY ANOTHER CANDIDATE ON THE BALLOT WHO IS NOT A WRITE-IN CANDIDATE;

38 (D) SUBMIT A CERTIFICATION IN THE FORM OF AN AFFIDAVIT, IN SUCH FORM AS MAY BE PRESCRIBED BY THE BOARD, THAT SETS FORTH HIS OR HER ACCEPTANCE 39 40 AND AGREEMENT TO COMPLY WITH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR THE OF PROVISION OF SUCH FUNDS IN EACH COVERED ELECTION AND SUCH CERTIFICATION 41 SHALL BE SUBMITTED AT LEAST FOUR MONTHS BEFORE THE ELECTION PURSUANT TO 42 43 A SCHEDULE PROMULGATED BY THE PUBLIC FINANCING UNIT OF THE BOARD; 44

(E) BE CERTIFIED AS A PARTICIPATING CANDIDATE BY THE BOARD;

45 (F) NOT MAKE, AND NOT HAVE MADE, EXPENDITURES FROM OR USE HIS OR HER PERSONAL FUNDS OR PROPERTY OR THE PERSONAL FUNDS OR PROPERTY JOINTLY 46 47 HELD WITH HIS OR HER SPOUSE, OR UNEMANCIPATED CHILDREN IN CONNECTION 48 WITH HIS OR HER NOMINATION ELECTION OR ELECTION TO A COVERED OFFICE 49 EXCEPT AS A CONTRIBUTION TO HIS OR HER AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE IN AN AMOUNT 50 THAT EXCEEDS THREE TIMES THE APPLICABLE CONTRIBUTION LIMIT FROM AN INDI-VIDUAL CONTRIBUTOR TO CANDIDATES FOR THE OFFICE THAT HE OR SHE IS SEEK-51 52 ING;

53 (G) MEET THE THRESHOLD FOR ELIGIBILITY SET FORTH IN SUBDIVISION TWO OF 54 THIS SECTION;

55 CONTINUE TO ABIDE BY ALL REQUIREMENTS DURING THE POST-ELECTION (H) 56 PERIOD;

(I) AGREE NOT TO EXPEND FOR CAMPAIGN PURPOSES ANY PORTION OF ANY PRE-1 2 EXISTING FUNDS RAISED FOR ANY PUBLIC OFFICE OR PARTY POSITION PRIOR TO 3 THE FIRST DAY OF THE ELECTION CYCLE FOR WHICH THE CANDIDATE SEEKS 4 CERTIFICATION. NOTHING IN THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO LIMIT, IN 5 ANY WAY, ANY CANDIDATE OR PUBLIC OFFICIAL FROM EXPENDING ANY PORTION OF 6 PRE-EXISTING CAMPAIGN FUNDS FOR ANY LAWFUL PURPOSE OTHER THAN THOSE 7 RELATED TO HIS OR HER CAMPAIGN; AND

8 (J) NOT HAVE ACCEPTED CONTRIBUTIONS IN AMOUNTS EXCEEDING THE CONTRIB-9 UTION LIMITS SET FORTH FOR PARTICIPATING CANDIDATES IN PARAGRAPHS A AND 10 B OF SUBDIVISION ONE OF SECTION 14-114 OF THIS ARTICLE DURING THE 11 ELECTION CYCLE FOR WHICH THE CANDIDATE SEEKS CERTIFICATION;

(I) PROVIDED HOWEVER, THAT, IF A CANDIDATE ACCEPTED CONTRIBUTIONS
EXCEEDING SUCH LIMITS BEFORE CERTIFICATION, SUCH ACCEPTANCE SHALL NOT
PREVENT THE CANDIDATE FROM BEING CERTIFIED BY THE BOARD IF THE CANDIDATE
IMMEDIATELY PAYS TO THE FUND OR RETURNS TO THE CONTRIBUTOR THE PORTION
OF ANY CONTRIBUTION THAT EXCEEDED THE APPLICABLE CONTRIBUTION LIMIT.

IF THE CANDIDATE IS UNABLE TO RETURN SUCH FUNDS IMMEDIATELY 17 (II)18 BECAUSE THEY HAVE ALREADY BEEN SPENT, ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRIBUTIONS 19 EXCEEDING THE LIMITS SHALL NOT PREVENT THE CANDIDATE FROM BEING CERTI-FIED BY THE BOARD IF THE CANDIDATE SUBMITS AN AFFIDAVIT AGREEING TO PAY 20 21 TO THE FUND ALL PORTIONS OF ANY CONTRIBUTIONS THAT EXCEEDED THE LIMIT NO 22 THAN THIRTY DAYS BEFORE THE GENERAL ELECTION. IF A CANDIDATE LATER PROVIDES THE BOARD WITH SUCH AN AFFIDAVIT, ANY DISBURSEMENT OF PUBLIC 23 FUNDS TO THE CANDIDATE MADE UNDER SECTION 14-206 OF THIS TITLE SHALL BE 24 25 REDUCED BY NO MORE THAN TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT UNTIL THE TOTAL AMOUNT OWED 26 BY THE CANDIDATE IS REPAID.

(III) NOTHING IN THIS SECTION SHALL BE INTERPRETED TO REQUIRE A CANDIDATE WHO RETAINS FUNDS RAISED DURING A PREVIOUS ELECTION CYCLE TO
FORFEIT SUCH FUNDS. FUNDS RAISED DURING A PREVIOUS ELECTION CYCLE MAY BE
RETAINED, BUT ONLY IF THE CANDIDATE PLACES THE FUNDS IN ESCROW.

(IV) CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED AND EXPENDITURES MADE BY THE CANDIDATE OR
AN AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE OF THE CANDIDATE PRIOR TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF
THIS TITLE SHALL NOT CONSTITUTE A VIOLATION OF THIS TITLE. UNEXPENDED
CONTRIBUTIONS SHALL BE TREATED THE SAME AS CAMPAIGN SURPLUSES UNDER
SUBPARAGRAPH (III) OF THIS PARAGRAPH.

36 2. THRESHOLD FOR ELIGIBILITY. (A) THE THRESHOLD FOR ELIGIBILITY FOR 37 PUBLIC FUNDING FOR PARTICIPATING CANDIDATES SHALL BE IN THE CASE OF:

(I) GOVERNOR, NOT LESS THAN THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS IN MATCHABLE CONTRIBUTIONS INCLUDING AT LEAST THREE THOUSAND MATCHABLE CONTRIBUTIONS COMPRISED OF SUMS BETWEEN TEN AND ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE
DOLLARS PER CONTRIBUTOR, FROM RESIDENTS OF NEW YORK STATE;

42 (II) LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR, ATTORNEY GENERAL, AND COMPTROLLER, NOT LESS
43 THAN ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS IN MATCHABLE CONTRIBUTIONS INCLUDING
44 AT LEAST ONE THOUSAND MATCHABLE CONTRIBUTIONS COMPRISED OF SUMS BETWEEN
45 TEN AND ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE DOLLARS PER CONTRIBUTOR, FROM RESIDENTS
46 OF NEW YORK STATE;

47 (III) STATE SENATOR, NOT LESS THAN TWELVE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED
48 DOLLARS IN MATCHABLE CONTRIBUTIONS INCLUDING AT LEAST ONE HUNDRED TWEN49 TY-FIVE MATCHABLE CONTRIBUTIONS COMPRISED OF SUMS BETWEEN TEN AND ONE
50 HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE DOLLARS PER CONTRIBUTOR, FROM RESIDENTS OF THE
51 DISTRICT IN WHICH THE SEAT IS TO BE FILLED; AND

(IV) MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY, NOT LESS THAN FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS IN
MATCHABLE CONTRIBUTIONS INCLUDING AT LEAST FIFTY MATCHABLE CONTRIBUTIONS
COMPRISED OF SUMS BETWEEN TEN AND ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE DOLLARS PER
CONTRIBUTOR, FROM RESIDENTS OF THE DISTRICT IN WHICH THE SEAT IS TO BE
FILLED.

(B) ANY PARTICIPATING CANDIDATE MEETING THE THRESHOLD FOR ELIGIBILITY 1 2 IN A PRIMARY ELECTION FOR ONE OF THE FOREGOING OFFICES SHALL BE DEEMED 3 TO HAVE MET THE THRESHOLD FOR ELIGIBILITY FOR SUCH OFFICE IN ANY OTHER 4 SUBSEQUENT ELECTION HELD IN THE SAME CALENDAR YEAR.

5 (C) AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH FOURTH CALENDAR YEAR, COMMENCING IN TWO 6 THOUSAND TWENTY-ONE, THE STATE BOARD SHALL DETERMINE THE PERCENTAGE OF 7 THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE MOST RECENT AVAILABLE MONTHLY CONSUMER PRICE 8 INDEX FOR ALL URBAN CONSUMERS PUBLISHED BY THE UNITED STATES BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS AND SUCH CONSUMER PRICE INDEX PUBLISHED FOR THE SAME 9 10 MONTH FOUR YEARS PREVIOUSLY. THE AMOUNT OF EACH THRESHOLD FOR ELIGIBIL-ITY FIXED IN THIS SUBDIVISION SHALL BE ADJUSTED BY THE AMOUNT OF SUCH 11 PERCENTAGE DIFFERENCE TO THE CLOSEST ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS BY THE STATE 12 13 BOARD WHICH, NOT LATER THAN THE FIRST DAY OF FEBRUARY IN EACH SUCH YEAR, 14 SHALL ISSUE A REGULATION PUBLISHING THE AMOUNT OF EACH SUCH THRESHOLD FOR ELIGIBILITY. EACH THRESHOLD FOR ELIGIBILITY AS SO ADJUSTED SHALL BE 15 16 THE LIMIT IN EFFECT FOR ANY ELECTION HELD BEFORE THE NEXT SUCH ADJUST-17 MENT. THE MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM DOLLAR AMOUNTS FOR THE MATCHABLE CONTRIB-UTIONS THAT FUNDS RAISED MUST BE COMPRISED BY TO MEET THE THRESHOLDS FOR 18 19 ELIGIBILITY FOR CANDIDATES FIXED IN THIS SUBDIVISION SHALL BE ADJUSTED 20 BY THE AMOUNT OF SUCH PERCENTAGE DIFFERENCE TO THE CLOSEST ONE DOLLAR BY 21 THE STATE BOARD WHICH, NOT LATER THAN THE FIRST DAY OF FEBRUARY IN EACH SUCH YEAR, SHALL ISSUE A REGULATION PUBLISHING THE SUCH MINIMUM AND 22 MAXIMUM AMOUNTS. THE MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM AMOUNTS AS SO ADJUSTED SHALL 23 24 BE IN EFFECT FOR ANY ELECTION HELD BEFORE THE NEXT SUCH ADJUSTMENT.

25 S 14-205. LIMITS ON PUBLIC FINANCING. THE FOLLOWING LIMITATIONS APPLY TO THE TOTAL AMOUNTS OF PUBLIC FUNDS THAT MAY BE PROVIDED TO A PARTIC-26 27 IPATING CANDIDATE'S AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE FOR AN ELECTION CYCLE:

IN ANY PRIMARY ELECTION, RECEIPT OF PUBLIC FUNDS BY PARTICIPATING 28 1. 29 CANDIDATES AND BY THEIR PARTICIPATING COMMITTEES SHALL NOT EXCEED: 30

(I) FOR GOVERNOR, THE SUM OF EIGHT MILLION DOLLARS;

(II) FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR, COMPTROLLER OR ATTORNEY GENERAL, THE SUM 31 32 OF FOUR MILLION DOLLARS;

33 (III) FOR SENATOR, THE SUM OF THREE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND 34 DOLLARS;

35 (IV) FOR MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY, THE SUM OF ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE 36 THOUSAND DOLLARS.

37 2. IN ANY GENERAL OR SPECIAL ELECTION, RECEIPT OF PUBLIC FUNDS BY A 38 PARTICIPATING CANDIDATE'S AUTHORIZED COMMITTEES SHALL NOT EXCEED THE 39 FOLLOWING AMOUNTS:

- 40 CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION TO THE OFFICE OF:
- GOVERNOR AND LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR (COMBINED) \$10,000,000 41 42 \$4,000,000 ATTORNEY GENERAL 43 COMPTROLLER \$4,000,000 44 MEMBER OF SENATE \$375,000 45 MEMBER OF ASSEMBLY \$175,000

3. NO PARTICIPATING CANDIDATE FOR NOMINATION FOR AN OFFICE WHO IS NOT 46 47 OPPOSED BY A CANDIDATE ON THE BALLOT IN A PRIMARY ELECTION SHALL BE ENTITLED TO PAYMENT OF PUBLIC MATCHING FUNDS, EXCEPT THAT, WHERE THERE 48 IS A CONTEST IN SUCH PRIMARY ELECTION FOR THE NOMINATION OF AT LEAST ONE 49 50 THE TWO POLITICAL PARTIES WITH THE HIGHEST AND SECOND HIGHEST NUMBER OF OF ENROLLED MEMBERS FOR SUCH OFFICE, A PARTICIPATING CANDIDATE WHO IS 51 UNOPPOSED IN THE PRIMARY ELECTION MAY RECEIVE PUBLIC FUNDS BEFORE THE 52 PRIMARY ELECTION, FOR EXPENSES INCURRED ON OR BEFORE THE DATE OF SUCH 53 54 PRIMARY ELECTION, IN AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO UP TO HALF THE SUM SET FORTH IN 55 PARAGRAPH ONE OF THIS SECTION.

4. AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH FOURTH CALENDAR YEAR, COMMENCING IN TWO 1 2 THOUSAND TWENTY-ONE, THE STATE BOARD SHALL DETERMINE THE PERCENTAGE OF 3 THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE MOST RECENT AVAILABLE MONTHLY CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR ALL URBAN CONSUMERS PUBLISHED BY THE UNITED STATES BUREAU OF 4 5 LABOR STATISTICS AND SUCH CONSUMER PRICE INDEX PUBLISHED FOR THE SAME 6 MONTH FOUR YEARS PREVIOUSLY. THE AMOUNT OF EACH PUBLIC FUNDS LIMIT FIXED 7 IN THIS SECTION SHALL BE ADJUSTED BY THE AMOUNT OF SUCH PERCENTAGE 8 DIFFERENCE TO THE CLOSEST ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS BY THE STATE BOARD WHICH, NOT LATER THAN THE FIRST DAY OF FEBRUARY IN EACH SUCH YEAR, SHALL ISSUE 9 10 A REGULATION PUBLISHING THE AMOUNT OF EACH SUCH PUBLIC FUNDS LIMIT. EACH PUBLIC FUNDS LIMIT AS SO ADJUSTED SHALL BE THE LIMIT IN EFFECT FOR ANY 11 ELECTION HELD BEFORE THE NEXT SUCH ADJUSTMENT. 12

S 14-206. PAYMENT OF PUBLIC MATCHING FUNDS. 1. DETERMINATION OF ELIGI-13 14 BILITY. NO PUBLIC MATCHING FUNDS SHALL BE PAID TO AN AUTHORIZED COMMIT-UNLESS THE PUBLIC FINANCING UNIT DETERMINES THAT THE PARTICIPATING 15 TEE 16 CANDIDATE HAS MET THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS OF THIS TITLE. PAYMENT 17 SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNTS SPECIFIED IN SUBDIVISION TWO OF THIS SECTION, AND SHALL BE MADE ONLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF 18 19 THIS TITLE. SUCH PAYMENT MAY BE MADE ONLY TO THE PARTICIPATING CANDI-DATE'S AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE. NO PUBLIC MATCHING FUNDS SHALL BE USED 20 21 EXCEPT AS REIMBURSEMENT OR PAYMENT FOR QUALIFIED CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURES 22 ACTUALLY AND LAWFULLY INCURRED OR TO REPAY LOANS USED TO PAY QUALIFIED 23 CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURES.

24 2. CALCULATION OF PAYMENT. IF THE THRESHOLD FOR ELIGIBILITY IS MET, 25 THE PARTICIPATING CANDIDATE'S AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE SHALL RECEIVE PAYMENT 26 FOR QUALIFIED CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURES OF SIX DOLLARS OF PUBLIC MATCHING 27 FUNDS FOR EACH ONE DOLLAR OF MATCHABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, MADE ON OR AFTER 28 THE FIRST DAY OF THE ELECTION CYCLE FOR WHICH THE CANDIDATE IS A PARTIC-29 IPATING CANDIDATE, FOR THE FIRST ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE DOLLARS OF 30 ELIGIBLE PRIVATE FUNDS PER CONTRIBUTOR, OBTAINED AND REPORTED TO THE BOARD IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS TITLE. THE MAXIMUM 31 32 PAYMENT OF PUBLIC MATCHING FUNDS SHALL BE LIMITED TO THE AMOUNTS SET 33 FORTH IN SECTION 14-205 OF THIS TITLE FOR THE COVERED ELECTION.

3. AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH FOURTH CALENDAR YEAR, COMMENCING 34 TWO IN 35 TWENTY-ONE, THE STATE BOARD SHALL DETERMINE THE PERCENTAGE OF THOUSAND THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE MOST RECENT AVAILABLE MONTHLY CONSUMER PRICE 36 INDEX FOR ALL URBAN CONSUMERS PUBLISHED BY THE UNITED STATES BUREAU OF 37 38 LABOR STATISTICS AND SUCH CONSUMER PRICE INDEX PUBLISHED FOR THE SAME 39 MONTH FOUR YEARS PREVIOUSLY. THE DOLLAR AMOUNT OF EACH MATCHABLE 40 CONTRIBUTION TO BE MATCHED AS SET FORTH IN SUBDIVISION TWO OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE ADJUSTED BY THE AMOUNT OF SUCH PERCENTAGE DIFFERENCE TO 41 42 CLOSEST ONE DOLLAR BY THE STATE BOARD WHICH, NOT LATER THAN THE THE 43 FIRST DAY OF FEBRUARY IN EACH SUCH YEAR, SHALL ISSUE A REGULATION PUBLISHING THE AMOUNT OF MATCHABLE CONTRIBUTIONS THAT SHALL BE MATCHED. 44 45 EACH SUCH AMOUNT AS SO ADJUSTED SHALL BE THE AMOUNT IN EFFECT FOR ANY ELECTION HELD BEFORE THE NEXT SUCH ADJUSTMENT. 46

47 4. TIMING OF PAYMENT. THE PUBLIC FINANCING UNIT SHALL MAKE ANY PAYMENT 48 OF PUBLIC MATCHING FUNDS TO PARTICIPATING CANDIDATES AS SOON AS IS PRAC-49 TICABLE. BUT IN ALL CASES, THAT UNIT SHALL VERIFY ELIGIBILITY FOR PUBLIC 50 MATCHING FUNDS WITHIN FOUR DAYS OF RECEIVING A CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION REPORT FILED IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 14-104 OF THIS ARTICLE. 51 WITHIN DAYS OF DETERMINING THAT A CANDIDATE FOR A COVERED OFFICE IS ELIGI-52 TWO BLE FOR PUBLIC MATCHING FUNDS, THE UNIT SHALL PAY THE APPLICABLE MATCH-53 54 ING FUNDS OWED TO THE CANDIDATE. HOWEVER, THE UNIT SHALL NOT MAKE ANY 55 PAYMENTS OF PUBLIC MONEY EARLIER THAN THE EARLIEST DATES FOR MAKING SUCH 56 PAYMENTS AS PROVIDED BY THIS TITLE. IF ANY OF SUCH PAYMENTS WOULD

REOUIRE PAYMENT ON A WEEKEND OR FEDERAL HOLIDAY, PAYMENT SHALL BE MADE 1 2 ON THE NEXT BUSINESS DAY. ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER. THE BOARD SHALL PROMULGATE RULES TO 3 5. 4 FACILITATE ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFERS DIRECTLY FROM THE FUND INTO AN 5 AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE'S BANK ACCOUNT. 6 SCHEDULED ELECTIONS. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY 6. IRREGULARLY OTHER 7 PROVISION OF THIS TITLE, THE BOARD SHALL PROMULGATE RULES TO PROVIDE FOR THE PROMPT ISSUANCE OF PUBLIC MATCHING FUNDS TO ELIGIBLE PARTICIPATING 8 9 CANDIDATES FOR QUALIFIED CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURES IN THE CASE OF ANY OTHER 10 COVERED ELECTION HELD ON A DAY DIFFERENT FROM THAT THAN ORIGINALLY SCHE-DULED INCLUDING SPECIAL ELECTIONS. BUT IN ALL CASES, THE PUBLIC FINANC-11 SHALL (A) WITHIN FOUR DAYS OF RECEIVING A REPORT OF CONTRIB-12 ING UNIT UTIONS FROM A CANDIDATE FOR A COVERED OFFICE CLAIMING ELIGIBILITY FOR 13 14 PUBLIC MATCHING FUNDS VERIFY THAT CANDIDATE'S ELIGIBILITY FOR PUBLIC 15 MATCHING FUNDS; AND (B) WITHIN TWO DAYS OF DETERMINING THAT THE CANDI-DATE FOR A COVERED OFFICE IS ELIGIBLE FOR PUBLIC MATCHING FUNDS, THE 16 17 UNIT SHALL PAY THE APPLICABLE MATCHING FUNDS OWED TO THE CANDIDATE. S 14-207. USE OF PUBLIC MATCHING FUNDS; OUALIFIED CAMPAIGN EXPENDI-18 19 TURES. 1. PUBLIC MATCHING FUNDS PROVIDED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS 20 TITLE MAY BE USED ONLY BY AN AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE FOR EXPENDITURES TO 21 FURTHER THE PARTICIPATING CANDIDATE'S NOMINATION FOR ELECTION OR 22 ELECTION, INCLUDING PAYING FOR DEBTS INCURRED WITHIN ONE YEAR TO PRIOR 23 ELECTION TO FURTHER THE PARTICIPATING CANDIDATE'S NOMINATION FOR AN 24 ELECTION OR ELECTION. 25 2. SUCH PUBLIC MATCHING FUNDS MAY NOT BE USED FOR: 26 (A) AN EXPENDITURE IN VIOLATION OF ANY LAW; 27 (B) AN EXPENDITURE IN EXCESS OF THE FAIR MARKET VALUE OF SERVICES, MATERIALS, FACILITIES OR OTHER THINGS OF VALUE RECEIVED IN EXCHANGE; 28 29 (C) AN EXPENDITURE MADE AFTER THE CANDIDATE HAS BEEN FINALLY DISOUALI-30 FIED FROM THE BALLOT; 31 (D) AN EXPENDITURE MADE AFTER THE ONLY REMAINING OPPONENT OF THE 32 CANDIDATE HAS BEEN FINALLY DISQUALIFIED FROM THE GENERAL OR SPECIAL 33 ELECTION BALLOT; 34 (E) AN EXPENDITURE MADE BY CASH PAYMENT; 35 A CONTRIBUTION OR LOAN OR TRANSFER MADE TO OR EXPENDITURE TO (F) SUPPORT ANOTHER CANDIDATE OR POLITICAL COMMITTEE OR PARTY, COMMITTEE OR 36 37 CONSTITUTED COMMITTEE; 38 (G) AN EXPENDITURE TO SUPPORT OR OPPOSE A CANDIDATE FOR AN OFFICE 39 OTHER THAN THAT WHICH THE PARTICIPATING CANDIDATE SEEKS; 40 (H) GIFTS, EXCEPT BROCHURES, BUTTONS, SIGNS AND OTHER PRINTED CAMPAIGN 41 MATERIAL; (I) LEGAL FEES TO DEFEND AGAINST A CRIMINAL CHARGE; 42 43 (J) PAYMENTS TO IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBERS OF THE PARTICIPATING CANDI-44 DATE; OR 45 ANY EXPENDITURE MADE TO CHALLENGE THE VALIDITY OF ANY PETITION OF (K) 46 DESIGNATION OR NOMINATION OR ANY CERTIFICATE OF NOMINATION, ACCEPTANCE, 47 AUTHORIZATION, DECLINATION OR SUBSTITUTION. 48 S 14-208. POWERS AND DUTIES OF BOARD. 1. ADVISORY OPINIONS. THE BOARD 49 SHALL RENDER ADVISORY OPINIONS WITH RESPECT TO QUESTIONS ARISING UNDER 50 THIS TITLE UPON THE WRITTEN REQUEST OF A CANDIDATE, AN OFFICER OF Α POLITICAL COMMITTEE OR MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC, OR UPON ITS OWN INITIATIVE. 51 THE BOARD SHALL PROMULGATE RULES REGARDING REASONABLE TIMES TO RESPOND 52 TO SUCH REQUESTS. THE BOARD SHALL MAKE PUBLIC THE QUESTIONS OF INTERPRE-53 54 TATION FOR WHICH ADVISORY OPINIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED BY THE BOARD AND 55 ITS ADVISORY OPINIONS, INCLUDING BY PUBLICATION ON ITS WEBPAGE WITH

IDENTIFYING INFORMATION REDACTED AS THE BOARD DETERMINES TO BE APPROPRI-1 2 ATE. 3 2. PUBLIC INFORMATION AND CANDIDATE EDUCATION. THE BOARD SHALL DEVELOP 4 A PROGRAM FOR INFORMING CANDIDATES AND THE PUBLIC AS TO THE PURPOSE AND 5 EFFECT OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS TITLE, INCLUDING BY MEANS OF A WEBPAGE. THE BOARD SHALL PREPARE IN PLAIN LANGUAGE AND MAKE AVAILABLE EDUCATIONAL 6 7 MATERIALS, INCLUDING COMPLIANCE MANUALS AND SUMMARIES AND EXPLANATIONS 8 OF THE PURPOSES AND PROVISIONS OF THIS TITLE. THE BOARD SHALL PREPARE OR HAVE PREPARED AND MAKE AVAILABLE MATERIALS, INCLUDING, TO THE EXTENT 9 10 FEASIBLE, COMPUTER SOFTWARE, TO FACILITATE THE TASK OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE DISCLOSURE AND RECORD-KEEPING REQUIREMENTS OF THIS TITLE. 11 12 3. RULES AND REGULATIONS. THE BOARD SHALL HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO 13 PROMULGATE SUCH RULES AND REGULATIONS AND PROVIDE SUCH FORMS AS IT DEEMS 14 NECESSARY FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THIS TITLE. INTERACTIVE, SEARCHABLE 15 4. DATABASE. THE BOARD SHALL DEVELOP AN COMPUTER DATABASE THAT SHALL CONTAIN ALL INFORMATION NECESSARY FOR THE 16 17 PROPER ADMINISTRATION OF THIS TITLE INCLUDING INFORMATION ON CONTRIB-18 UTIONS TO AND EXPENDITURES BY CANDIDATES AND THEIR AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE, 19 INDEPENDENT EXPENDITURES IN SUPPORT OR OPPOSITION OF CANDIDATES FOR 20 COVERED OFFICES, AND DISTRIBUTIONS OF MONEYS FROM THE FUND. SUCH DATA-21 BASE SHALL BE ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC ON THE BOARD'S WEBPAGE. 22 THE BOARD'S PUBLIC FINANCING UNIT SHALL WORK WITH THE ENFORCEMENT 5. 23 UNIT TO ENFORCE THIS SECTION. S 14-209. AUDITS AND REPAYMENTS. 1. AUDITS. THE BOARD SHALL AUDIT AND 24 25 EXAMINE ALL MATTERS RELATING TO THE PROPER ADMINISTRATION OF THIS TITLE 26 AND SHALL COMPLETE SUCH AUDIT NO LATER THAN TWO YEARS AFTER THE ELECTION 27 IN QUESTION. EVERY CANDIDATE WHO RECEIVES PUBLIC FUNDS UNDER THIS TITLE SHALL BE AUDITED BY THE BOARD. THE COST OF COMPLYING WITH A POST-ELEC-28 TION AUDIT SHALL BE BORNE BY THE CANDIDATE'S AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE USING 29 PUBLIC FUNDS, PRIVATE FUNDS OR ANY COMBINATION OF SUCH FUNDS. CANDI-30 DATES WHO RUN IN BOTH A PRIMARY AND GENERAL ELECTION MUST MAINTAIN A 31 32 RESERVE OF THREE PERCENT OF THE PUBLIC FUNDS RECEIVED TO COMPLY WITH THE 33 POST-ELECTION AUDIT. THE BOARD SHALL ISSUE TO EACH CAMPAIGN AUDITED A FINAL AUDIT REPORT THAT DETAILS ITS FINDINGS. 34 2. REPAYMENTS. (A) IF THE BOARD DETERMINES THAT ANY PORTION OF 35 THE PAYMENT MADE TO A CANDIDATE'S AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE FROM THE FUND WAS IN 36 37 EXCESS OF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF PAYMENTS THAT SUCH CANDIDATE WAS 38 ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE PURSUANT TO THIS TITLE, IT SHALL NOTIFY SUCH COMMIT-AND SUCH COMMITTEE SHALL PAY TO THE BOARD AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE 39 TEE 40 AMOUNT OF EXCESS PAYMENTS. PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT IF THE ERRONEOUS PAYMENT WAS THE RESULT OF AN ERROR BY THE BOARD, THEN THE ERRONEOUS 41 PAYMENT WILL BE DEDUCTED FROM ANY FUTURE PAYMENT, IF ANY, AND IF NO 42 43 PAYMENT IS TO BE MADE THEN NEITHER THE CANDIDATE NOR THE COMMITTEE SHALL 44 LIABLE TO REPAY THE EXCESS AMOUNT TO THE BOARD. THE CANDIDATE, THE BE 45 TREASURER AND THE CANDIDATE'S AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE ARE JOINTLY AND SEVERABLY LIABLE FOR ANY REPAYMENTS TO THE BOARD. 46 47 IF THE BOARD DETERMINES THAT ANY PORTION OF THE PAYMENT MADE TO A (B) 48 CANDIDATE'S AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE FROM THE FUND WAS USED FOR PURPOSES 49 OTHER THAN QUALIFIED CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURES AND SUCH EXPENDITURES WERE 50 NOT APPROVED BY THE BOARD, IT SHALL NOTIFY SUCH COMMITTEE OF THE AMOUNT DISOUALIFIED AND SUCH COMMITTEE SHALL PAY TO THE BOARD AN AMOUNT 51 SO EQUAL TO SUCH DISQUALIFIED AMOUNT. THE CANDIDATE, THE TREASURER AND THE 52 CANDIDATE'S AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE ARE JOINTLY AND SEVERABLY LIABLE FOR 53 54 ANY REPAYMENTS TO THE BOARD. (C) IF THE TOTAL OF PAYMENTS FROM THE FUND RECEIVED BY A PARTICIPATING

55 (C) IF THE TOTAL OF PAYMENTS FROM THE FUND RECEIVED BY A PARTICIPATING 56 CANDIDATE AND HIS OR HER AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE EXCEED THE TOTAL CAMPAIGN

EXPENDITURES OF SUCH CANDIDATE AND AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE FOR ALL COVERED 1 2 ELECTIONS HELD IN THE SAME CALENDAR YEAR OR FOR A SPECIAL ELECTION TO 3 FILL A VACANCY, SUCH CANDIDATE AND COMMITTEE SHALL USE SUCH EXCESS FUNDS TO REIMBURSE THE FUND FOR PAYMENTS RECEIVED BY SUCH AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE 4 5 THE FUND DURING SUCH CALENDAR YEAR OR FOR SUCH SPECIAL ELECTION. FROM 6 PARTICIPATING CANDIDATES SHALL PAY TO THE BOARD UNSPENT PUBLIC CAMPAIGN 7 FUNDS FROM AN ELECTION NOT LATER THAN TWENTY-SEVEN DAYS AFTER ALL 8 LIABILITIES FOR THE ELECTION HAVE BEEN PAID AND IN ANY EVENT, NOT LATER DAY ON WHICH THE BOARD ISSUES ITS FINAL AUDIT REPORT FOR THE 9 THAN THE 10 PARTICIPATING CANDIDATE'S AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT 11 ALL UNSPENT PUBLIC CAMPAIGN FUNDS FOR A PARTICIPATING CANDIDATE SHALL BE IMMEDIATELY DUE AND PAYABLE TO THE BOARD UPON A DETERMINATION BY THE 12 13 BOARD THAT THE PARTICIPANT HAS DELAYED THE POST-ELECTION AUDIT. A 14 PARTICIPATING CANDIDATE MAY MAKE POST-ELECTION EXPENDITURES WITH PUBLIC FUNDS ONLY FOR ROUTINE ACTIVITIES INVOLVING NOMINAL COST ASSOCIATED WITH 15 16 WINDING UP A CAMPAIGN AND RESPONDING TO THE POST-ELECTION AUDIT. NOTH-17 THIS TITLE SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO PREVENT A CANDIDATE OR HIS OR ING IN HER AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE FROM USING CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED FROM 18 19 PRIVATE CONTRIBUTORS FOR OTHERWISE LAWFUL EXPENDITURES.

20 3. THE BOARD SHALL PROMULGATE REGULATIONS FOR THE CERTIFICATION OF THE AMOUNT OF FUNDS PAYABLE BY THE COMPTROLLER, FROM THE FUND ESTABLISHED 21 TO SECTION NINETY-TWO-T OF THE STATE FINANCE LAW, TO A PARTIC-22 PURSUANT 23 IPATING CANDIDATE THAT HAS QUALIFIED TO RECEIVE SUCH PAYMENT. THESE 24 REGULATIONS SHALL INCLUDE THE PROMULGATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF FORMS ON 25 WHICH CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES ARE TO BE REPORTED, THE PERIODS 26 DURING WHICH SUCH REPORTS MUST BE FILED AND THE VERIFICATION REQUIRED. 27 THE BOARD SHALL INSTITUTE PROCEDURES WHICH WILL MAKE POSSIBLE PAYMENT BY 28 THE FUND WITHIN FOUR BUSINESS DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF THE REQUIRED FORMS 29 AND VERIFICATIONS.

ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS AND OTHER 30 S 14-210. PROCEEDINGS. 1. CIVIL PENALTIES. VIOLATIONS OF ANY PROVISION OF THIS 31 32 TITLE OR RULE PROMULGATED PURSUANT TO THIS TITLE SHALL BE SUBJECT TO A 33 CIVIL PENALTY IN AN AMOUNT NOT IN EXCESS OF FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS. 34

2. NOTICE OF VIOLATION AND OPPORTUNITY TO CONTEST. THE BOARD SHALL:

35 (A) DETERMINE WHETHER A VIOLATION OF ANY PROVISION OF THIS TITLE OR RULE PROMULGATED HEREUNDER HAS BEEN COMMITTED; 36

37 (B) GIVE WRITTEN NOTICE AND THE OPPORTUNITY TO CONTEST BEFORE AN INDE-38 PENDENT HEARING OFFICER TO EACH PERSON OR ENTITY IT HAS REASON TO 39 BELIEVE HAS COMMITTED A VIOLATION; AND

40 (C) IF APPROPRIATE, ASSESS PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS, FOLLOWING SUCH NOTICE AND OPPORTUNITY TO CONTEST. 41

CRIMINAL CONDUCT. ANY PERSON WHO KNOWINGLY AND WILLFULLY FURNISHES 42 3. 43 OR SUBMITS FALSE STATEMENTS OR INFORMATION TO THE BOARD IN CONNECTION ITS ADMINISTRATION OF THIS TITLE, SHALL BE GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR 44 WITH 45 IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER PENALTY AS MAY BE IMPOSED UNDER THIS CHAPTER OR PURSUANT TO ANY OTHER LAW. THE BOARD SHALL SEEK TO RECOVER ANY PUBLIC 46 47 MATCHING FUNDS OBTAINED AS A RESULT OF SUCH CRIMINAL CONDUCT.

48 4. PROCEEDINGS AS TO PUBLIC FINANCING. (A) THE DETERMINATION OF ELIGI-49 BILITY PURSUANT TO THIS TITLE AND ANY QUESTION OR ISSUE RELATING TO 50 PAYMENTS FOR CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURES PURSUANT TO THIS TITLE MAY ΒE 51 CONTESTED IN A PROCEEDING INSTITUTED IN THE SUPREME COURT, ALBANY COUN-52 TY, BY ANY AGGRIEVED CANDIDATE.

53 (B) A PROCEEDING WITH RESPECT TO SUCH A DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY 54 OR PAYMENT FOR QUALIFIED CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURES PURSUANT TO THIS CHAPTER 55 SHALL BE INSTITUTED WITHIN FOURTEEN DAYS AFTER SUCH DETERMINATION WAS 56 MADE. THE BOARD SHALL BE MADE A PARTY TO ANY SUCH PROCEEDING.

UPON THE BOARD'S FAILURE TO RECEIVE THE AMOUNT DUE FROM A PARTIC-1 (C) 2 IPATING CANDIDATE OR SUCH CANDIDATE'S AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE AFTER THE 3 ISSUANCE OF WRITTEN NOTICE OF SUCH AMOUNT DUE, AS REQUIRED BY THIS 4 TITLE, THE BOARD IS AUTHORIZED TO INSTITUTE A SPECIAL PROCEEDING OR 5 CIVIL ACTION IN SUPREME COURT, ALBANY COUNTY, TO OBTAIN A JUDGMENT FOR 6 ANY AMOUNTS DETERMINED TO BE PAYABLE TO THE BOARD AS A RESULT OF AN 7 EXAMINATION AND AUDIT MADE PURSUANT TO THIS TITLE OR TO OBTAIN SUCH 8 AMOUNTS DIRECTLY FROM THE CANDIDATE OR AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE AFTER A 9 HEARING AT THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS.

10 (D) THE BOARD IS AUTHORIZED TO INSTITUTE A SPECIAL PROCEEDING OR CIVIL 11 ACTION IN SUPREME COURT, ALBANY COUNTY, TO OBTAIN A JUDGMENT FOR CIVIL 12 PENALTIES DETERMINED TO BE PAYABLE TO THE BOARD PURSUANT TO THIS TITLE 13 OR TO IMPOSE SUCH PENALTY DIRECTLY AFTER A HEARING AT THE STATE BOARD OF 14 ELECTIONS.

15 S 14-211. REPORTS. THE BOARD SHALL REVIEW AND EVALUATE THE EFFECT OF THIS TITLE UPON THE CONDUCT OF ELECTION CAMPAIGNS AND SHALL SUBMIT 16 Α REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE ON OR BEFORE JANUARY FIRST, TWO THOUSAND TWEN-17 TY, AND EVERY THIRD YEAR THEREAFTER, AND AT ANY OTHER TIME UPON THE 18 19 REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR AND AT SUCH OTHER TIMES AS THE BOARD DEEMS 20 APPROPRIATE. THESE REPORTS SHALL INCLUDE:

21 1. A LIST OF THE PARTICIPATING AND NONPARTICIPATING CANDIDATES IN 22 COVERED ELECTIONS AND THE VOTES RECEIVED BY EACH CANDIDATE IN THOSE 23 ELECTIONS;

24 2. THE AMOUNT OF CONTRIBUTIONS AND LOANS RECEIVED, AND EXPENDITURES 25 MADE, ON BEHALF OF THESE CANDIDATES;

26 3. THE AMOUNT OF PUBLIC MATCHING FUNDS EACH PARTICIPATING CANDIDATE 27 RECEIVED, SPENT, AND REPAID PURSUANT TO THIS TITLE;

4. ANALYSIS OF THE EFFECT OF THIS TITLE ON POLITICAL CAMPAIGNS,
INCLUDING ITS EFFECT ON THE SOURCES AND AMOUNTS OF PRIVATE FINANCING,
THE LEVEL OF CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURES, VOTER PARTICIPATION, THE NUMBER OF
CANDIDATES, THE CANDIDATES' ABILITY TO CAMPAIGN EFFECTIVELY FOR PUBLIC
OFFICE, AND THE DIVERSITY OF CANDIDATES SEEKING AND ELECTED TO OFFICE;
AND

5. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AMENDMENTS TO THIS TITLE, INCLUDING CHANGES IN CONTRIBUTION LIMITS, THRESHOLDS FOR ELIGIBILITY, AND ANY OTHER FEATURES OF THE SYSTEM.

37 S 14-212. DEBATES FOR CANDIDATES FOR STATEWIDE OFFICE. THE BOARD 38 SHALL PROMULGATE REGULATIONS TO FACILITATE DEBATES AMONG PARTICIPATING 39 CANDIDATES WHO SEEK ELECTION TO STATEWIDE OFFICE. PARTICIPATING CANDI-40 DATES ARE REQUIRED TO PARTICIPATE IN ONE DEBATE BEFORE EACH ELECTION FOR 41 WHICH THE CANDIDATE RECEIVES PUBLIC FUNDS, UNLESS THE PARTICIPATING 42 CANDIDATE IS RUNNING UNOPPOSED. NONPARTICIPATING CANDIDATES MAY PARTIC-43 IPATE IN SUCH DEBATES.

44 S 14-213. SEVERABILITY. IF ANY CLAUSE, SENTENCE, SUBDIVISION, PARA-45 GRAPH, SECTION OR PART OF THIS TITLE BE ADJUDGED BY ANY COURT OF COMPE-46 TENT JURISDICTION TO BE INVALID, SUCH JUDGMENT SHALL NOT AFFECT, IMPAIR 47 OR INVALIDATE THE REMAINDER THEREOF, BUT SHALL BE CONFINED IN ITS OPERA-48 TION TO THE CLAUSE, SENTENCE, SUBDIVISION, PARAGRAPH, SECTION OR PART 49 THEREOF DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN THE CONTROVERSY IN WHICH SUCH JUDGMENT 50 SHALL HAVE BEEN RENDERED.

51 S 7. The state finance law is amended by adding a new section 92-t to 52 read as follows:

53 S 92-T. NEW YORK STATE CAMPAIGN FINANCE FUND. 1. THERE IS HEREBY 54 ESTABLISHED IN THE JOINT CUSTODY OF THE STATE COMPTROLLER AND THE 55 COMMISSIONER OF TAXATION AND FINANCE A FUND TO BE KNOWN AS THE NEW YORK 56 STATE CAMPAIGN FINANCE FUND.

2. SUCH FUND SHALL CONSIST OF ALL REVENUES RECEIVED FROM THE NEW YORK 1 STATE CAMPAIGN FINANCE FUND CHECK-OFF PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (H) OF 2 3 SECTION SIX HUNDRED FIFTY-EIGHT OF THE TAX LAW, FROM THE ABANDONED PROP-4 ERTY FUND PURSUANT TO SECTION NINETY-FIVE OF THIS ARTICLE, FROM THE 5 GENERAL FUND, AND FROM ALL OTHER MONEYS CREDITED OR TRANSFERRED THERETO 6 FROM ANY OTHER FUND OR SOURCE PURSUANT TO LAW. SUCH FUND SHALL ALSO 7 RECEIVE CONTRIBUTIONS FROM PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS, ORGANIZATIONS, OR OTHER 8 PERSONS TO FULFILL THE PURPOSES OF THE PUBLIC FINANCING SYSTEM.

3. MONEYS OF THE FUND, FOLLOWING APPROPRIATION BY THE LEGISLATURE, MAY 9 10 BE EXPENDED FOR THE PURPOSES OF MAKING PAYMENTS TO CANDIDATES PURSUANT TO TITLE II OF ARTICLE FOURTEEN OF THE ELECTION LAW AND FOR ADMINISTRA-11 12 TIVE EXPENSES RELATED TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ARTICLE FOURTEEN OF THE 13 ELECTION LAW. MONEYS SHALL BE PAID OUT OF THE FUND BY THE STATE COMP-14 TROLLER ON VOUCHERS CERTIFIED OR APPROVED BY THE STATE BOARD OF 15 ELECTIONS, OR ITS DULY DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE, IN THE MANNER 16 PRESCRIBED BY LAW, NOT MORE THAN FOUR WORKING DAYS AFTER SUCH VOUCHER IS 17 RECEIVED BY THE STATE COMPTROLLER.

4. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION OF LAW TO THE CONTRARY, IF, IN ANY
STATE FISCAL YEAR, THE STATE CAMPAIGN FINANCE FUND LACKS THE AMOUNT OF
MONEY TO PAY ALL CLAIMS VOUCHERED BY ELIGIBLE CANDIDATES AND CERTIFIED
OR APPROVED BY THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS, ANY SUCH DEFICIENCY SHALL
BE PAID BY THE STATE COMPTROLLER, FROM FUNDS DEPOSITED IN THE GENERAL
FUND OF THE STATE NOT MORE THAN FOUR WORKING DAYS AFTER SUCH VOUCHER IS
RECEIVED BY THE STATE COMPTROLLER.

5. COMMENCING IN TWO THOUSAND SEVENTEEN, IF THE SURPLUS IN THE FUND ON APRIL FIRST OF THE YEAR AFTER A YEAR IN WHICH A GOVERNOR IS ELECTED EXCEEDS TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT OF THE DISBURSEMENTS FROM THE FUND OVER THE REVIOUS FOUR YEARS, THE EXCESS SHALL REVERT TO THE GENERAL FUND OF THE STATE.

6. NO PUBLIC FUNDS SHALL BE PAID TO ANY PARTICIPATING CANDIDATES IN A
PRIMARY ELECTION ANY EARLIER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER DESIGNATING
PETITIONS, INDEPENDENT NOMINATING PETITIONS, OR CERTIFICATES OF NOMINATION HAVE BEEN FILED AND NOT LESS THAN FORTY-FIVE DAYS BEFORE SUCH
ELECTION.

7. NO PUBLIC FUNDS SHALL BE PAID TO ANY PARTICIPATING CANDIDATES IN A
 GENERAL ELECTION ANY EARLIER THAN THE DAY AFTER THE DAY OF THE PRIMARY
 ELECTION HELD TO NOMINATE CANDIDATES FOR SUCH ELECTION.

8. NO PUBLIC FUNDS SHALL BE PAID TO ANY PARTICIPATING CANDIDATES IN A
SPECIAL ELECTION ANY EARLIER THAN THE DAY AFTER THE LAST DAY TO FILE
CERTIFICATES OF PARTY NOMINATION FOR SUCH SPECIAL ELECTION.

9. NO PUBLIC FUNDS SHALL BE PAID TO ANY PARTICIPATING CANDIDATE WHO 41 HAS BEEN DISOUALIFIED OR WHOSE DESIGNATING PETITIONS HAVE BEEN DECLARED 42 43 INVALID BY THE APPROPRIATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS OR A COURT OF COMPETENT 44 JURISDICTION UNTIL AND UNLESS SUCH FINDING IS REVERSED BY A HIGHER COURT 45 IN A FINAL JUDGMENT. NO PAYMENT FROM THE FUND IN THE POSSESSION OF SUCH A CANDIDATE OR SUCH CANDIDATE'S PARTICIPATING COMMITTEE ON THE DATE OF 46 47 SUCH DISQUALIFICATION OR INVALIDATION MAY THEREAFTER BE EXPENDED FOR ANY 48 PURPOSE EXCEPT THE PAYMENT OF LIABILITIES INCURRED BEFORE SUCH DATE. 49 ALL SUCH MONEYS SHALL BE REPAID TO THE FUND.

50 S 8. Section 95 of the state finance law is amended by adding a new 51 subdivision 5 to read as follows:

52 5. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION OF THIS SECTION AUTHORIZING THE 53 TRANSFER OF ANY MONEYS IN THE ABANDONED PROPERTY FUND TO THE GENERAL 54 FUND, IN JANUARY OF EACH YEAR IN WHICH A STATE GENERAL ELECTION IS TO BE 55 HELD PURSUANT TO LAW, OR AT LEAST SIX WEEKS PRIOR TO ANY STATE SPECIAL 56 ELECTION, THE COMPTROLLER, UPON WARRANT OR VOUCHER BY THE STATE BOARD OF 1 ELECTIONS OR ITS DULY APPOINTED REPRESENTATIVE, SHALL TRANSFER MONEYS OF 2 THE ABANDONED PROPERTY FUND INTO THE CAMPAIGN FINANCE FUND PURSUANT TO 3 SECTION NINETY-TWO-T OF THIS ARTICLE. ON MARCH THIRTY-FIRST OF THE YEAR 4 FOLLOWING SUCH GENERAL ELECTION YEAR, SUCH BOARD SHALL TRANSFER TO THE 5 GENERAL FUND ANY SURPLUS MONEYS OF THE CAMPAIGN FINANCE FUND AS OF SUCH 6 DATE.

7 S 9. Section 658 of the tax law is amended by adding a new subsection 8 (h) to read as follows:

9 (H) NEW YORK STATE CAMPAIGN FINANCE FUND CHECK-OFF. (1) FOR EACH TAXA-10 BLE YEAR BEGINNING ON AND AFTER JANUARY FIRST, TWO THOUSAND FIFTEEN, RESIDENT TAXPAYER WHOSE NEW YORK STATE INCOME TAX LIABILITY FOR 11 EVERY THE TAXABLE YEAR FOR WHICH THE RETURN IS FILED IS FORTY DOLLARS OR MORE 12 ON SUCH RETURN THAT FORTY DOLLARS BE PAID INTO THE NEW 13 MAY DESIGNATE 14 YORK STATE CAMPAIGN FINANCE FUND ESTABLISHED BY SECTION NINETY-TWO-T OF 15 THE STATE FINANCE LAW. WHERE A HUSBAND AND WIFE FILE A JOINT RETURN AND 16 HAVE A NEW YORK STATE INCOME TAX LIABILITY FOR THE TAXABLE YEAR FOR 17 RETURN IS FILED IS EIGHTY DOLLARS OR MORE, OR FILE SEPARATE WHICH THE 18 RETURNS ON A SINGLE FORM, EACH SUCH TAXPAYER MAY MAKE SEPARATE DESIG-19 NATIONS ON SUCH RETURN OF FORTY DOLLARS TO BE PAID INTO THE NEW YORK 20 STATE CAMPAIGN FINANCE FUND.

(2) THE COMMISSIONER SHALL TRANSFER TO THE NEW YORK STATE CAMPAIGN
FINANCE FUND, ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION NINETY-TWO-T OF THE STATE
FINANCE LAW, AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO FORTY DOLLARS MULTIPLIED BY THE NUMBER
OF DESIGNATIONS.

(3) FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE INCOME TAX LIABILITY OF AN
INDIVIDUAL FOR ANY TAXABLE YEAR IS THE AMOUNT OF TAX IMPOSED UNDER THIS
ARTICLE REDUCED BY THE SUM OF THE CREDITS (AS SHOWN IN HIS OR HER
RETURN) ALLOWABLE UNDER THIS ARTICLE.

(4) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL INCLUDE A PLACE ON EVERY PERSONAL INCOME TAX
RETURN FORM TO BE FILED BY AN INDIVIDUAL FOR A TAX YEAR BEGINNING ON OR
AFTER JANUARY FIRST, TWO THOUSAND FIFTEEN, FOR SUCH TAXPAYER TO MAKE THE
DESIGNATIONS DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH ONE OF THIS SUBSECTION. SUCH RETURN
FORM SHALL CONTAIN A CONCISE EXPLANATION OF THE PURPOSE OF SUCH OPTIONAL
DESIGNATIONS.

35 AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH FOURTH CALENDAR YEAR, COMMENCING IN TWO (5)THOUSAND TWENTY-ONE, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DETERMINE THE PERCENTAGE 36 OF 37 THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE MOST RECENT AVAILABLE MONTHLY CONSUMER PRICE 38 INDEX FOR ALL URBAN CONSUMERS PUBLISHED BY THE UNITED STATES BUREAU OF 39 LABOR STATISTICS AND SUCH CONSUMER PRICE INDEX PUBLISHED FOR THE SAME 40 MONTH FOUR YEARS PREVIOUSLY. EACH DOLLAR AMOUNT SET OUT IN PARAGRAPH ONE OF THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE ADJUSTED BY THE AMOUNT OF 41 SUCH PERCENTAGE TO THE CLOSEST ONE DOLLAR BY THE DEPARTMENT, WHICH SHALL 42 DIFFERENCE 43 ISSUE A REGULATION PUBLISHING THE AMOUNT OF EACH SUCH DOLLAR AMOUNT. 44 EACH DOLLAR AMOUNT AS SO ADJUSTED SHALL GOVERN THE OPERATION OF THE 45 STATE CAMPAIGN FINANCE FUND CHECK-OFF BEFORE THE NEXT SUCH ADJUSTMENT.

46 S 10. Subdivision 2 of section 14-120 of the election law, as added by 47 chapter 79 of the laws of 1992, is amended to read as follows:

48 2. Notwithstanding subdivision one of this section, a partnership, as defined in section ten of the partnership law, OR A LIMITED LIABILITY 49 COMPANY, AS DEFINED IN SECTION ONE HUNDRED TWO OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY 50 51 COMPANY LAW, may be considered a separate entity for the purposes of this section, and as such may make contributions in the name of said 52 partnership OR LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY without attributing such 53 54 contributions to the individual members of the partnership OR LIMITED 55 LIABILITY COMPANY provided that any such contribution made by a partner-56 ship OR LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY to a candidate or to a political

committee, shall not exceed[,] twenty-five hundred dollars. In the event 1 2 that such partnership OR LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY contribution to any 3 political committee exceeds twenty-five such candidate or hundred 4 dollars, the aggregate amount of such contribution shall be attributed 5 to each partner OR LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY MEMBER whose share of the 6 contribution exceeds ninety-nine dollars.

7 S 11. Subdivision 3 of section 14-124 of the election law, as amended 8 by chapter 71 of the laws of 1988, is amended to read as follows:

9 [3. The contribution and receipt limits of this article shall not 10 apply to monies received and expenditures made by a party committee or 11 constituted committee to maintain a permanent headquarters and staff and 12 carry on ordinary activities which are not for the express purpose of 13 promoting the candidacy of specific candidates.]

14 S 12. The election law is amended by adding a new section 14-125 to 15 read as follows:

16 S 14-125. NEW YORK STATE BUSINESS CONTRACT DATABASE. 1. A. AS USED IN 17 THIS SECTION:

18 (I) THE TERM "BUSINESS RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE STATE" SHALL MEAN ANY 19 CONTRACT FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF GOODS, SERVICES OR CONSTRUCTION THAT IS INTO OR IN EFFECT WITH THE STATE OF NEW YORK OR ANY AGENCY OR 20 ENTERED 21 ENTITY AFFILIATED THERETO NOT AWARDED THROUGH A COMPETITIVE BID PROCESS 22 PURSUANT TO ARTICLES NINE AND ELEVEN OF THE STATE FINANCE LAW. BUSINESS 23 RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE SHALL NOT MEAN ANY PERSON OR STATE ENTITY 24 REJECTED FROM PARTICIPATION IN SUCH A CONTRACT OR ANY PERSON OR ENTITY 25 NOT PARTICIPATING IN SUCH A CONTRACT WITHIN TWENTY-FOUR MONTHS OF ANY 26 ELECTION.

27 (II) THE TERM "NEW YORK STATE BUSINESS CONTRACT DATABASE" SHALL MEAN A 28 CREATED, OPERATED, MAINTAINED AND UPDATED BY THE STATE COMP-DATABASE 29 TROLLER ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC WHICH CONTAINS THE NAMES OF PERSONS WHO HAVE BUSINESS RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE STATE. SUCH DATABASE SHALL 30 PROVIDE 31 IDENTIFIER ASSIGNED BY THE STATE COMPTROLLER FOR EACH PERSON А UNIOUE 32 WHO HAS A BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP WITH THE STATE AND SHALL ΒE CREATED, 33 OPERATED, MAINTAINED AND UPDATED BY THE STATE COMPTROLLER IN A MANNER SO 34 AS TO ENSURE ITS REASONABLE ACCURACY AND COMPLETENESS; PROVIDED, HOWEV-35 ER, THAT IN NO EVENT SHALL SUCH DATABASE BE UPDATED LESS FREQUENTLY THAN ONCE A MONTH IN ANY GENERAL ELECTION YEAR. SUCH DATABASE 36 SHALL ENABLE 37 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO DETERMINE IF A GIVEN PERSON HAS A BUSINESS 38 RELATIONSHIP WITH THE STATE.

39 (III) THE TERM "PERSON" SHALL INCLUDE ANY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, 40 FINANCIAL OFFICER OR CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER OF SUCH ENTITY OR CHIEF 41 PERSONS SERVING IN AN EQUIVALENT CAPACITY, ANY PERSON EMPLOYED Α ΤN SENIOR MANAGERIAL CAPACITY REGARDING SUCH ENTITY, OR ANY PERSON WITH AN 42 43 INTEREST IN SUCH ENTITY WHICH EXCEEDS TEN PERCENT OF THE VALUE OF SUCH 44 ENTITY AT FAIR MARKET VALUE.

45 "SENIOR MANAGERIAL CAPACITY" SHALL MEAN A HIGH LEVEL (IV) THE TERM 46 SUPERVISORY CAPACITY, EITHER BY VIRTUE OF TITLE OR DUTIES, IN WHICH 47 SUBSTANTIAL DISCRETION AND OVERSIGHT IS EXERCISED OVER THE SOLICITATION, 48 LETTING OR ADMINISTRATION OF BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS WITH THE STATE, INCLUDING CONTRACTS, FRANCHISES, CONCESSION, GRANTS, 49 ECONOMIC DEVELOP-50 MENT AGREEMENTS AND APPLICATION FOR LAND USE APPROVALS.

B. ANY DATABASE MAINTAINED BY THE COMPTROLLER AS OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE 51 52 THIS SECTION MAY SERVE AS THE NEW YORK STATE BUSINESS CONTRACT DATA-OF 53 BASE UPON CERTIFICATION BY THE COMPTROLLER TO THE STATE BOARD OF 54 ELECTIONS THAT SUCH DATABASE FULFILLS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION. EVERY STATE AGENCY OR AUTHORITY OF THE STATE INCLUDING ANY ENTITY AFFIL-55 IATED THERETO SHALL PROVIDE THE COMPTROLLER WITH SUCH INFORMATION AS 56 IS

NECESSARY TO CONSTRUCT, MODIFY AND MAINTAIN SUCH DATABASE IN A TIMELY 1 2 MANNER. NEITHER A CANDIDATE PARTICIPATING IN THE VOLUNTARY CAMPAIGN 3 2. A. 4 FINANCE PROGRAM ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE, NOR A POLITICAL 5 COMMITTEE OF SUCH CANDIDATE SHALL ACCEPT CONTRIBUTIONS FOR A COVERED 6 ELECTION WHICH IN THE AGGREGATE EXCEEDS FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS FROM A 7 PERSON OR ENTITY WHO HAS A BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP WITH THE STATE. 8 NEITHER A CANDIDATE WHO DOES NOT PARTICIPATE IN A VOLUNTARY в. 9 CAMPAIGN FINANCE PROGRAM PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE NOR A POLITICAL 10 COMMITTEE OF SUCH CANDIDATE SHALL ACCEPT CONTRIBUTIONS FOR A COVERED 11 ELECTION WHICH IN THE AGGREGATE EXCEEDS FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS FROM A 12 PERSON OR ENTITY WHO HAS A BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP WITH THE STATE. 13 NO CONTRIBUTION PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION TO A CANDIDATE OR TO A С. 14 POLITICAL COMMITTEE OF SUCH CANDIDATE SHALL BE ELIGIBLE FOR MATCHING CONTRIBUTIONS PURSUANT TO TITLE TWO OF THIS ARTICLE. 15 16 D. IF THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS DETERMINES THAT ANY CONTRIBUTION TO 17 A CANDIDATE OR TO THE POLITICAL COMMITTEE OF SUCH CANDIDATE VIOLATES THE 18 PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION, SUCH BOARD SHALL NOTIFY SUCH CANDIDATE WITH-19 TWENTY DAYS OF SUCH DETERMINATION AND SUCH CANDIDATE OR CANDIDATE'S IN 20 POLITICAL COMMITTEE SHALL MAKE A REASONABLE ATTEMPT TO RETURN SUCH 21 CONTRIBUTION TO THE CONTRIBUTOR; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT IF SUCH CANDI-DATE OR THE POLITICAL COMMITTEE OF SUCH CANDIDATE IS UNABLE 22 TO RETURN 23 SUCH CONTRIBUTION, SUCH MONIES SHALL BE PAID TO THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS FOR PAYMENT INTO THE NEW YORK STATE CAMPAIGN FINANCE 24 FUND 25 PURSUANT TO SECTION NINETY-TWO-T OF THE STATE FINANCE LAW. 26 Е. WHEN PUBLICLY REPORTING CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS, WHERE APPLICABLE, 27 THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS SHALL INCORPORATE THE UNIQUE IDENTIFIER ASSIGNED 28 STATE COMPTROLLER FOR ANY CONTRIBUTOR WITH A BUSINESS RELATION-ΒY THE 29 SHIP WITH THE STATE. 30 F. THE STATE COMPTROLLER AND THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS SHALL 31 SUCH RULES AND REGULATIONS AS THE COMPTROLLER AND THE BOARD PROMULGATE 32 DEEM NECESSARY FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THIS SECTION. 33 S 13. Sections 1-u and 1-v of the legislative law, section 1-v as relettered by chapter 1 of the laws of 2005, are renumbered sections 1-w 34 35 and 1-x and two new sections 1-u and 1-v are added to read as follows: 1-U. RESTRICTIONS ON POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS BY LOBBYISTS. A LOBBY-36 S 37 IST SHALL NOT SOLICIT, MAKE OR TRANSMIT A CONTRIBUTION OR A REQUEST FOR 38 A CONTRIBUTION FROM OR TO ANY PERSON, INCLUDING A POLITICAL COMMITTEE 39 FOR THE BENEFIT OF A PUBLIC OFFICIAL OR PARTY COMMITTEE, FOR ELECTION TO 40 ANY STATE OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OFFICE; EXCEPT THAT A LOBBYIST MAY MAKE A POLITICAL CONTRIBUTION UP TO TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS PER CANDI-41 DATE PER ELECTION; PROVIDED HOWEVER, THAT FOR STATE LEVEL PUBLIC OFFI-42 43 CIALS, SUCH CONTRIBUTION MAY ONLY BE MADE BETWEEN JULY FIRST AND DECEM-44 BER THIRTY-FIRST. 45 S 1-V. RESTRICTIONS ON ACCEPTANCE OF POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS BY PUBLIC OFFICIALS. A PUBLIC OFFICIAL SHALL NOT KNOWINGLY ACCEPT, SOLICIT, OR 46 47 TRANSMIT A CONTRIBUTION OR A REQUEST FOR A CONTRIBUTION FOR HIMSELF OR 48 HERSELF OR ANY PUBLIC OFFICIAL, POLITICAL COMMITTEE, OR CANDIDATE FROM 49 OR ON BEHALF OF ANY LOBBYIST REGULATED BY THIS ARTICLE, EXCEPT THAT A PUBLIC OFFICIAL MAY ACCEPT POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS FROM A LOBBYIST, UP

50 PUBLIC OFFICIAL MAY ACCEPT POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS FROM A LOBBYIST, UP 51 TO TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS PER ELECTION; PROVIDED HOWEVER, THAT FOR 52 STATE LEVEL PUBLIC OFFICIALS, SUCH CONTRIBUTION MAY ONLY BE MADE BETWEEN 53 JULY FIRST AND DECEMBER THIRTY-FIRST.

54 S 14. Paragraphs (iii) and (iv) of subdivision 3 of section 14-130 of 55 the election law, as added by section 9 of part CC of chapter 56 of the 56 laws of 2015, are amended to read as follows: 1 (iii) clothing[, other than items that are] TO BE used [in the 2 campaign or in the execution of the duties of public office or party 3 position] BY THE CANDIDATE OR OFFICE HOLDER OR A MEMBER OF THE CANDI-4 DATE'S OR OFFICE HOLDER'S FAMILY;

5 (iv) tuition payments [unrelated to a political campaign or the hold-6 ing of a public office or party position];

7 S 15. Severability. If any clause, sentence, subdivision, paragraph, 8 section or part of title II of article 14 of the election law, as added 9 by section six of this act be adjudged by any court of competent juris-10 diction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to 11 the clause, sentence, subdivision, paragraph, section or part thereof 12 13 directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have 14 been rendered.

15 S 16. This act shall take effect immediately; provided, however, all 16 state legislative candidates will be eligible to participate in volun-17 tary public financing beginning with the 2017 primary election and all 18 other state candidates, including those in irregularly scheduled 19 elections, will be eligible to participate in voluntary public financing 20 beginning with the 2019 primary election.

21 S 3. Severability clause. If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivi-22 sion, section or part of this act shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, 23 24 impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in 25 operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section its 26 or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered. It is hereby declared to be the intent of 27 the legislature that this act would have been enacted even 28 if such 29 invalid provisions had not been included herein.

30 S 4. This act shall take effect immediately provided, however, that 31 the applicable effective date of Parts A through C of this act shall be 32 as specifically set forth in the last section of such Parts.