

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 881

Short Title: Limit Candidate Committee Donation to Party. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Blust; Brown, Cleveland, Current, Daughtry, Dockham, Folwell, Hilton, and Starnes.

Referred to: Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform, if favorable, Judiciary I.

March 20, 2007

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT TO LIMIT CANDIDATE AND CANDIDATE COMMITTEE DONATIONS
TO POLITICAL PARTIES TO THE GENERAL CONTRIBUTION LIMIT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 163-278.16B(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) A candidate or candidate campaign committee may use contributions only for the following purposes:

- (1) Expenditures resulting from the campaign for public office by the candidate or candidate's campaign committee.
- (2) Expenditures resulting from holding public office.
- (3) Contributions to an organization described in section 170(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. § 170(c)), provided that the candidate or the candidate's spouse, children, parents, brothers, or sisters are not employed by the organization.
- (4) Contributions no more than four thousand dollars (\$4,000) per election cycle to a national, State, or district-district, or county committee of a political party or a caucus of the a political party.
- (5) Contributions to another candidate or candidate's campaign committee.
- (6) To return all or a portion of a contribution to the contributor.
- (7) Payment of any penalties against the candidate or candidate's campaign committee for violation of this Article imposed by a board of elections or a court of competent jurisdiction.
- (8) Payment to the Escheat Fund established by Chapter 116B of the General Statutes."

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective January 1, 2008.