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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations, Reform, Technology and Elections

A bill for an act
relating to elections; campaign finance; providing contribution limits for certain candidates; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 10A.27, subdivision 1.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 10A.27, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Contribution limits.** (a) Except as provided in subdivision 2, a candidate must not permit the candidate's principal campaign committee to accept aggregate contributions made or delivered by any individual, political committee, or political fund in excess of the following:

(1) to candidates for governor and lieutenant governor running together, $2,000 in an election year for the office sought and $500 in other years;

(2) to a candidate for attorney general, $1,000 in an election year for the office sought and $200 in other years;

(3) to a candidate for the office of secretary of state or state auditor, $500 in an election year for the office sought and $100 in other years;

(4) to a candidate for state senator, $500 in an election year for the office sought and $100 in other years; ~~and~~

(5) to a candidate for state representative, $500 in an election year for the office sought and $100 in the other year~~.~~;

(6) to a candidate for district court judicial office, $1,000 in an election year for the office sought and $200 in other years; and

(7) to a candidate for supreme court justice or court of appeals judge, $2,000 in an election year for the office sought and $500 in other years.

(b) The following deliveries are not subject to the bundling limitation in this subdivision:

(1) delivery of contributions collected by a member of the candidate's principal campaign committee, such as a block worker or a volunteer who hosts a fund-raising event, to the committee's treasurer; and

(2) a delivery made by an individual on behalf of the individual's spouse.

(c) A lobbyist, political committee, political party unit, or political fund must not make a contribution a candidate is prohibited from accepting.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.