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Senate, No. 2506

1 AN ACT prohibiting candidates for public office from contributing  
2 campaign funds to charitable organizations under certain  
3 circumstances and amending P.L.1993, c.65.

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5 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State  
6 of New Jersey:

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8 1. Section 17 of P.L.1993, c.65 (C.19:44A-11.2) is amended to  
9 read as follows:

10 17. a. All contributions received by a candidate, candidate  
11 committee, a joint candidates committee or a legislative leadership  
12 committee shall be used only for the following purposes:

13 (1) the payment of campaign expenses;

14 (2) contributions to any charitable organization described in  
15 section 170(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended or  
16 modified, or nonprofit organization which is exempt from taxation  
17 under section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, except  
18 any charitable organization of which the candidate or a member of  
19 the candidate's immediate family is a paid officer, director or  
20 employee or receives compensation for goods or services provided to  
21 the organization;

22 (3) transmittal to another candidate, candidate committee, or joint  
23 candidates committee, or to a political committee, continuing  
24 political committee, legislative leadership committee or political  
25 party committee, for the lawful use by such other candidate or  
26 committee;

27 (4) the payment of the overhead and administrative expenses  
28 related to the operation of the candidate committee or joint candidates  
29 committee of a candidate or a legislative leadership committee;

30 (5) the pro rata repayment of contributors; or

31 (6) the payment of ordinary and necessary expenses of holding  
32 public office.

33 As used in this subsection, "campaign expenses" means any  
34 expense incurred or expenditure made by a candidate, candidate  
35 committee, joint candidates committee or legislative leadership  
36 committee for the purpose of paying for or leasing items or services  
37 used in connection with an election campaign, other than those items  
38 or services which may reasonably be considered to be for the  
39 personal use of the candidate, any person associated with the  
40 candidate or any of the members of a legislative leadership  
41 committee; and "member of the candidate's immediate family"  
42 means the candidate's spouse, child, parent, or sibling, and the child,  
43 parent, or sibling of the candidate's spouse.

44 b. No contribution received by a candidate or by the candidate  
45 committee or joint candidates committee of a candidate may be used

**EXPLANATION** – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is  
not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

1 for the payment of the expenses arising from the furnishing, staffing  
2 or operation of an office used in connection with that person's official  
3 duties as an elected public official.

4 c. Any funds remaining in the campaign depository of a  
5 candidate's candidate committee or joint candidates committee upon  
6 the death of the candidate shall be used only for one or more of the  
7 purposes established in subsection a. of this section by the  
8 committee's organizational treasurer or deputy treasurer or whoever  
9 has control of the depository upon the death of the candidate.  
10 (cf: P.L.1993, c.65, s.17)

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12 2. This act shall take effect immediately

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STATEMENT

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17 This bill prohibits the distribution of campaign contributions by a  
18 candidate, candidate committee, joint candidates committee or a  
19 legislative leadership committee to any charitable organization of  
20 which the candidate or a member of the candidate's immediate family  
21 is a paid officer, director or employee or receives compensation for  
22 goods or services provided to the organization.

23 As used in this bill, "member of the candidate's immediate family"  
24 means the candidate's spouse, child, parent, or sibling, and the child,  
25 parent, or sibling of the candidate's spouse.

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30 Prohibits candidates from contributing campaign funds to charity  
31 in which candidate or candidate's immediate family is an officer or  
32 employee or receives compensation for goods or services provided to  
33 the charity.

# SENATE, No. 2506

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 212th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED JANUARY 25, 2007

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Assemblywomen Beck, Greenstein, Assemblymen Mayer, Moriarty,  
Baroni, Greenwald and Assemblywoman Lampitt**

**SYNOPSIS**

Prohibits candidates from contributing campaign funds to charity in which candidate or candidate's immediate family is an officer or employee or receives compensation for goods or services provided to the charity.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.

(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 6/12/2007)

1 AN ACT prohibiting candidates for public office from contributing  
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3 circumstances and amending P.L.1993, c.65.

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15 section 170(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended or  
16 modified, or nonprofit organization which is exempt from taxation  
17 under section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, except  
18 any charitable organization of which the candidate or a member of  
19 the candidate's immediate family is a paid officer, director or  
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25 party committee, for the lawful use by such other candidate or  
26 committee;

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44 child, parent, or sibling of the candidate's spouse.

**EXPLANATION** – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

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1       b. No contribution received by a candidate or by the candidate  
2 committee or joint candidates committee of a candidate may be  
3 used for the payment of the expenses arising from the furnishing,  
4 staffing or operation of an office used in connection with that  
5 person's official duties as an elected public official.

6       c. Any funds remaining in the campaign depository of a  
7 candidate's candidate committee or joint candidates committee upon  
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9 purposes established in subsection a. of this section by the  
10 committee's organizational treasurer or deputy treasurer or whoever  
11 has control of the depository upon the death of the candidate.

12 (cf: P.L.1993, c.65, s.17)

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19       This bill prohibits the distribution of campaign contributions by  
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25       As used in this bill, "member of the candidate's immediate  
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27 the child, parent, or sibling of the candidate's spouse.

ASSEMBLY STATE GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**SENATE, No. 2506**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: FEBRUARY 26, 2007

The Assembly State Government Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 2506.

This bill prohibits the distribution of campaign contributions by a candidate, the candidate committee or joint candidates committee of a candidate, or a legislative leadership committee, to any charitable organization of which the candidate or a member of the candidate's immediate family is a paid officer, director or employee or receives compensation for goods or services provided to the organization.

As used in this bill, "member of the candidate's immediate family" means the candidate's spouse, child, parent, or sibling, and the child, parent, or sibling of the candidate's spouse.

Senate Bill No. 2506 is identical to Assembly Bill No. 4014 of 2007.



SENATE STATE GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**SENATE, No. 2506**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: FEBRUARY 8, 2007

The Senate State Government Committee reports favorably Senate, No. 2506.

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# ASSEMBLY, No. 4014

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 212th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 22, 2007

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**SYNOPSIS**

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**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

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ASSEMBLY STATE GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

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**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: FEBRUARY 26, 2007

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