

(1) Statewide office A \$3 public contribution for each \$1 of eligible private contributions, but the total may not exceed an amount equal to 75 percent of the maximum primary election limit provided in § 31-3, except that a candidate for a publicly elected political party office may not receive a public contribution.

(2) Nonstatewide office A \$2 public contribution for each \$1 of eligible private contributions, but the total may not exceed an amount equal to 66 2/3 percent of the maximum primary election limit provided in § 31-3, except that a candidate for a publicly elected political party office may not receive a public contribution.

(e) An independent candidate or the nominee of any party who was unopposed in the primary shall raise and certify to the State Board the amount of seed money defined in § 31-2 (1), before becoming eligible for a general election public contribution.

31-6.

(a) A public contribution may be expended only:

(1) With the authority of the candidate or his treasurer;

(2) To further the candidate's nomination or election;

(3) For expenses incurred not later than 30 days after the election for which these were made; and

(4) For purposes that are not violative of state law.

(b) Any unspent portion of a public contribution shall be repaid to the Comptroller for redeposit in the fund not later than 60 days following the election for which the public contribution was granted. When computing whether there is an unspent part of a public contribution, all private contributions to the candidate shall be presumed as spent prior to any expenditure of the public contribution.

(c) A candidate and his treasurer are jointly and severally personally liable for repaying to the Comptroller any part of a public contribution which was unspent or which is spent in violation of subsection (a) of this section.

31-7.

(a) A Fair Campaign Financing Commission shall enforce the provisions of this subtitle. The Commission