

SOUTH DAKOTA CAMPAIGN FINANCE CONTRIBUTION LIMITS

(SDCL 12-27)

ANY PERSON MAY:

- Make contributions to any candidate, political action committee, ballot question committee or political party.

ANY POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE (PAC) MAY:

- Make unlimited contributions to any candidate, political action committee, ballot question, or political party.
- Accept contributions from individuals, candidates, entities, PACs, and political parties.

ANY POLITICAL PARTY (AUXILIARY) MAY:

- Make unlimited contributions to any candidate, political action committee or political party.
- Accept contributions from individuals, entities, candidates, PACs, and political parties.

ANY CANDIDATE CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE MAY:

- Make unlimited contributions to any candidate, political action committee or political party.
- Accept contributions from individuals, entities, candidates, PACs, and political parties.

ANY BALLOT QUESTION COMMITTEE MAY:

- Make contributions to any PAC or statewide ballot question committee.
- Accept contributions from individuals, entities, candidates, PACs, ballot question committees and political parties.

ANY ENTITY MAY:

- Make contributions to any candidate committee, PAC, political party and ballot question committee.

Contribution limits to a PAC from:	
Individual	\$10,000
PAC	Unlimited
Party	Unlimited
Entity	\$10,000
Statewide Candidate Committee	Unlimited
Legislative Candidate Committee	Unlimited
Ballot Question Committee	\$10,000

Contribution limits to a Statewide Candidate from:	
Individual	\$4,000
PAC	Unlimited
Party	Unlimited
Entity	\$4,000
Statewide Candidate Committee	Unlimited
Legislative Candidate Committee	Unlimited
Ballot Question Committee	Prohibited

Contribution limits to a Ballot Question from:	
Individual	Unlimited
PAC	Unlimited
Party	Unlimited
Entity	Unlimited
Statewide Candidate Committee	Unlimited
Legislative Candidate Committee	Unlimited
Ballot Question Committee	Unlimited

Contribution limits to a Legislative or County Candidate from:	
Individual	\$1,000
PAC	Unlimited
Party	Unlimited
Entity	\$1,000
Statewide Candidate Committee	Unlimited
Legislative Candidate Committee	Unlimited
Ballot Question Committee	Prohibited

Contribution limits to a Political Party (Auxiliary) from:	
Individual	\$10,000
PAC	Unlimited
Party	Unlimited
Entity	\$10,000
Statewide Candidate Committee	Unlimited
Legislative Candidate Committee	Unlimited
Ballot Question Committee	Prohibited

Donated goods or services do count towards contribution limits.

Contributions received by a candidate campaign committee may only be used for:

- (1) A purpose related to a candidate's campaign;
- (2) Expenses incident to being a public official or former public official; or
- (3) Donations to any other candidate, political committee, or nonprofit charitable organization.

Contribution limits to a PAC from:			
	SDCL 12-27 Pre-IM22	IM22	SDCL 12-27 (SB 54) July 1, 2017
Individual	\$10,000	\$2,000	\$10,000
PAC	Unlimited	\$2,000	Unlimited
Party	Unlimited	\$2,000	Unlimited
Entity	\$10,000	\$2,000	\$10,000
Statewide Candidate Committee	Unlimited	\$2,000	Unlimited
Legislative Candidate Committee	Unlimited	\$2,000	Unlimited
Ballot Question Committee	\$0	Unclear	\$10,000

Contribution limits to a Statewide Candidate Committee from:			
	SDCL 12-27 Pre-IM22	IM22	SDCL 12-27 (SB 54) July 1, 2017
Individual	\$4,000	\$4,000/\$2,000/\$1,000	\$4,000
PAC	Unlimited	\$4,000/\$2,000/\$1,000	Unlimited
Party	Unlimited	\$40,000/\$20,000/\$10,000	Unlimited
Entity	\$0	\$0	\$4,000
Statewide Candidate Committee	Unlimited	\$4,000/\$2,000/\$1,000	Unlimited
Legislative Candidate Committee	Unlimited	\$4,000/\$2,000/\$1,000	Unlimited
Ballot Question Committee	\$0	Unclear	Prohibited

Contribution limits to a Legislative or County Candidate Committee from:			
	SDCL 12-27 Pre-IM22	IM22	SDCL 12-27 (SB 54) July 1, 2017
Individual	\$1,000	\$750	\$1,000
PAC	Unlimited	\$750	Unlimited
Party	Unlimited	\$5,000	Unlimited
Entity	\$0	\$0	\$1,000
Statewide Candidate Committee	Unlimited	\$750	Unlimited
Legislative Candidate Committee	Unlimited	\$750	Unlimited
Ballot Question Committee	\$0	Unclear	Prohibited

Contribution limits to a Political Party from:			
	SDCL 12-27 Pre-IM22	IM22	SDCL 12-27 (SB 54) July 1, 2017
Individual	\$10,000	\$5,000	\$10,000
PAC	Unlimited	\$5,000	Unlimited
Party	Unlimited	12-27-10 is unclear	Unlimited
Entity	\$0	\$0	\$10,000
Statewide Candidate Committee	Unlimited	\$5,000	Unlimited
Legislative Candidate Committee	Unlimited	\$5,000	Unlimited
Ballot Question Committee	\$0	Unclear	Prohibited

Contribution limits to a BQ from:			
	SDCL 12-27 Pre-IM22	IM22	SDCL 12-27 (SB 54) July 1, 2017
Individual	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited
PAC	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited
Party	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited
Entity	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited
Statewide Candidate Committee	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited
Legislative Candidate Committee	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited
Ballot Question Committee	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited

South Dakota Campaign Finance Report Deadlines

2017 Year-End Due: January 26, 2018

- **Deadline:** The last Friday in January each year.
 - **Reporting Period:** Last report through December 31, 2017
 - **Who Files:** All statewide candidates, statewide political action committees (PAC), statewide political parties and statewide ballot question committees.

*** **Ballot Question Committees:** That do not meet the signature requirements for placement of the ballot issue on the general election ballot, shall submit a termination report by 5:00 p.m. (CT) on the last Friday in January following the year the statement of organization was submitted to the secretary of state.

Pre-Primary Due: May 21, 2018

- **Deadline:** Fifteen days prior to the primary election.
 - **Reporting Period:** January 1, 2018 (or last submitted report) through May 16, 2018
 - **Who files:** All statewide candidates, legislative candidates whose name appear on the ballot, statewide political parties, statewide political action committees and statewide ballot questions committees.

Pre-General Due: October 22, 2018

- **Deadline:** Fifteen days prior to the general election.
 - **Reporting Period:** May 17, 2018 (or last submitted report) through October 17, 2018
 - **Who files:** All statewide candidates, legislative candidates, statewide political action committees, statewide political parties, county political parties and ballot question committees.

2018 Year-End Due: January 25, 2019

- **Deadline:** The last Friday in January each year.
 - **Reporting Period:** Last report through December 31, 2018
 - **Who files:** All statewide candidates, legislative candidates, statewide political action committees, statewide political parties, and statewide ballot question committees.

*****Ballot Question Committees:** Shall submit a termination report to the secretary of state by 5:00 p.m. central time on the last Friday in January following the calendar year the ballot question was on the ballot.

NOTE: No campaign finance disclosure report is required to be submitted by a political committee that regularly submits a campaign finance disclosure report with another state or the Federal Election Commission or a report of contributions and expenditures with the Internal Revenue Service. If a political committee treasurer is required to file a report with the secretary of state, the report may only include contributions and expenditures related to this state.

PENALTIES: 12-27-29.1. In addition to any other penalty or relief provided under this chapter, the secretary of state may impose a civil penalty for the failure to timely file any statement, amendment, or correction required to be filed by this chapter. The civil penalty is two hundred dollars **(\$200)** for each violation. If any violation is made by a county political party or auxiliary organization, the civil penalty is fifty dollars **(\$50)** for each violation. Additional penalties not to exceed \$250 could be assessed per SB 151. Any civil penalty collected pursuant to this section shall be deposited into the state general fund.

Who files & which report	Pre-Primary	Pre-General	Year-End Odd year (Filed in even year)	Year-End Even Year (Filed in odd year)
Statewide Candidates	x	x	x	x
Legislative Candidates	x (if name appears on the ballot)	x		x
Statewide Party	x	x	x	x
County Party & Auxiliary		x		
Statewide PAC	x	x	x	x
Statewide Ballot Question	x	x	x	x