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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to campaign financing; amending
s. 106.08, F.S.; providing a limitation on
contributions made by a corporation and its
subsidiary corporations; providing an effective
date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 106.08, Florida
Statutes, is amended to read:

106.08 Contributions; limitations on.--

(1)(a) Except for political parties, no person,
political committee, or committee of continuous existence may,
in any election, make contributions in excess of \$500 to any
candidate for election to or retention in office or to any
political committee supporting or opposing one or more
candidates.

(b) A corporation may not, in any election, make
contributions in excess of \$500 to any candidate for elections
to or retention in office or to any political committee
supporting or opposing one or more candidates. If a
corporation has a board of directors or executive officers in
common with one or more subsidiary corporations, the total
contribution for both the corporation and those subsidiary
corporations may not exceed \$1,000.Candidates for the offices
of Governor and Lieutenant Governor on the same ticket are
considered a single candidate for the purpose of this section.

(c)~~(b)~~1. The contribution limits provided in this
subsection do not apply to contributions made by a state or
county executive committee of a political party regulated by

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1 chapter 103 or to amounts contributed by a candidate to his or
2 her own campaign.

3 2. Notwithstanding the limits provided in this
4 subsection, an unemancipated child under the age of 18 years
5 of age may not make a contribution in excess of \$100 to any
6 candidate or to any political committee supporting one or more
7 candidates.

8 (d)~~(c)~~ The contribution limits of this subsection
9 apply to each election. For purposes of this subsection, the
10 first primary, second primary, and general election are
11 separate elections so long as the candidate is not an
12 unopposed candidate as defined in s. 106.011(15). However,
13 for the purpose of contribution limits with respect to
14 candidates for retention as a justice of the Supreme Court or
15 judge of a district court of appeal, there is only one
16 election, which is the general election, and with respect to
17 candidates for circuit judge or county court judge, there are
18 only two elections, which are the first primary election and
19 general election.

20 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
21 law.

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24 SENATE SUMMARY

25 Provides the limitation of a total contribution of \$1,000
26 that may be made by a corporation and one or more of its
27 subsidiaries to a candidate for election to or retention
28 in office or to any political committee supporting or
29 opposing one or more candidates.
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