

1                                   **CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION AMENDMENTS**

2   2007 GENERAL SESSION

3   STATE OF UTAH

4   **Chief Sponsor: John Dougall**

5   Senate Sponsor: Darin G. Peterson

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7 **LONG TITLE**

8 **General Description:**

9           This bill modifies the Lobbyist Disclosure and Regulation Act by providing certain  
10 restrictions on the distribution of campaign contributions.

11 **Highlighted Provisions:**

12           This bill:

13           ▶ prohibits campaign contributions to the Legislature and the governor during any  
14 special session;

15           ▶ prohibits campaign contributions to a legislator if the contribution is made  
16 anywhere on the capitol hill complex; and

17           ▶ makes technical changes.

18 **Monies Appropriated in this Bill:**

19           None

20 **Other Special Clauses:**

21           None

22 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

23 AMENDS:

24           **36-11-305**, as last amended by Chapter 286, Laws of Utah 2003

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26 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

27           Section 1. Section **36-11-305** is amended to read:



28           **36-11-305. Campaign contribution -- During session prohibited -- Capitol hill**  
29 **complex restrictions.**

30           (1) (a) It is unlawful for a person, lobbyist, principal, or political committee to make a  
31 campaign contribution or contract, promise, or agree to make a campaign contribution to a  
32 legislator or a legislator's personal campaign committee, or a political action committee  
33 controlled by a legislator during the time the Legislature is convened in:

- 34           (i) annual general ~~[or]~~ session;
- 35           (ii) veto override session~~[-];~~ or ~~[in]~~
- 36           (iii) a special session ~~[convened before July 1 of a general election year].~~

37           (b) In addition to the provision of Subsection (1)(a), it is unlawful for a person,  
38 lobbyist, principal, or political committee to make a campaign contribution by cash, check, or  
39 money order to a legislator or a legislator's personal campaign committee, or to a political  
40 action committee controlled by a legislator, if the contribution is made anywhere on the capitol  
41 hill complex as defined under Section 63C-9-102.

42           (2) It is unlawful for a person, lobbyist, principal, or political committee to make a  
43 campaign contribution, or contract, promise, or agree to make a campaign contribution, to the  
44 governor, the governor's personal campaign committee, or a political action committee  
45 controlled by the governor:

- 46           (a) during the time the Legislature is convened in:
- 47           (i) annual general ~~[or]~~ session;
- 48           (ii) veto override session~~[-, during];~~ or
- 49           (iii) a special session ~~[convened before July 1 of a general election year];~~ or

50           (b) during the time period established by the Utah Constitution, Article VII, Section 8,  
51 for the governor to approve or veto bills passed by the Legislature in the annual general  
52 session.

53           (3) Any person who violates this section is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

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**State Impact**

Enactment of this bill will not require additional appropriations.

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**Individual, Business and/or Local Impact**

Enactment of this bill likely will not result in direct, measurable costs and/or benefits for individuals, businesses, or local governments.

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