

**SENATE . . . . . No. 392**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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PRESENTED BY:

***Jason M. Lewis, (BY REQUEST)***

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*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act for parity in all organizational and non-individual campaign contributions.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Alice Shattuck*

*140 Grove Street, Melrose, Mass. 02176*

*Vincent Lawrence Dixon*

*60 Lake Street – Unit N, Winchester, Mass.  
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By Mr. Lewis (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 392) of Alice Shattuck and Vincent Lawrence Dixon for legislation for parity in all organizational and non-individual campaign contributions. Election Laws.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act for parity in all organizational and non-individual campaign contributions.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1           SECTION 1. The Massachusetts General Laws are hereby amended by inserting the  
2 following new chapter:

3           An Act for Parity in all Organizational; and Non-Individual Campaign Contributions.

4           1.) As Massachusetts has often been a leader in various legal provisions, and public  
5 policies, it also, from time to time, seeks to compare, and adjust itself, as it should, in terms of  
6 relevant ideas, in and/or from other jurisdictions.

7           2.) Thus, in the matters of campaign finance, there exists an anomaly, that has need of  
8 being adjusted, relating to campaign contributions, and in doing so, assist the process of  
9 transparency, in sources, and reporting of contributions. That is, that in most states, union  
10 candidate contributions, and corporate candidate contributions, conform equally to the same  
11 rules. This legislation corrects this non-parity.

12           3.) Mass General Laws Chapter 55, are hereby amended as follows: All Union Candidate  
13 Contributions, and Corporate Candidate Contributions, shall be the same as PAC limits, and shall  
14 be fully reported under the laws, and regulations, of the Commonwealth.