

SENATE No. 394

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Joanne M. Comerford

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 relative to political contributions.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Joanne M. Comerford</i>	<i>Hampshire, Franklin and Worcester</i>	
<i>Mindy Domb</i>	<i>3rd Hampshire</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>

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By Ms. Comerford, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 394) of Joanne M. Comerford and Mindy Domb for legislation relative to political campaign contributions. Election Laws.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2082 OF 2017-2018.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**

An Act relative to political 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: Subsection (a) of section 7A of chapter 55 of the General Laws, as most
2 recently amended by chapter 156 of the acts of 2016, is hereby further amended by striking out
3 paragraph (3) and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:-

4 (3) An individual may in addition make campaign contributions to any political
5 committee not specified in paragraph (1), (2), (4) or (5); provided, however, that the aggregate of
6 such campaign contributions to any one such political committee shall not exceed in any one
7 calendar year the sum of \$500.

8 SECTION 2: Said subsection (a) of said section 7A of said chapter 55, as so amended, is
9 hereby further amended by adding the following paragraph:-

10 (5) An individual may in addition make campaign contributions to any independent
11 expenditure PAC as defined in section 18A; provided, however, that the aggregate of campaign
12 contributions to any one such independent expenditure PAC shall not exceed in any one calendar
13 year the sum of \$5,000.