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Comparison of Campaign Contribution Limits in Bills

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	Current law -- amounts adjusted for inflation	HB 265 - Fitzpatrick (<i>with proposed amendments</i>)	HB 229 - Reichner	SB 375 - Peterson
STATUS		(S) State Admin	(S) Judiciary	(S) 3rd Reading
Limits apply to:				
"election" or "election cycle"	election	election	election	election cycle
Contribution limits to candidate from political committee or individual				
Gov & Lt. Gov	\$ 630	\$1,200	\$2,500*	\$2,000
Other statewide	\$ 310	\$ 600	\$1,000*	\$1,000
PSC	\$ 160	\$ 450	\$500*	\$500
Any other office	\$ 160	\$ 300	\$500*	\$500
Provision to adjust for inflation	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Aggregate contribution limits from political party committees				
Gov & Lt. Gov	\$22,600	\$40,000	No limit	\$40,000
Statewide office	\$8,150	\$20,000	No limit	\$20,000
PSC	\$3,260	\$10,000	No limit	\$5,000
State senate	\$1,300	\$3,000	No limit	\$5,000
Any other office	\$ 800	\$1,750	No limit	\$5,000
Contribution receipt limits from all political committees - combined total				
State senate	\$2,650	repealed	repealed	repealed
State house	\$1,600	repealed	repealed	repealed
Language and definitions concerning committee types				
Section 13-37- 216(2) and (3), MCA	defines/describes "independent" and "leadership" committees and "political party organization"	no change	revises "political party organization"	moves definitions / descriptions to definitions section

* In HB 229, contribution limitations would *not* apply to political committees organized by political party organizations.