

paragraph (1) may make a general solicitation of funds on behalf of any organization that is described in section 501(c) of title 26 and exempt from taxation under section 501(a) of such title (or has submitted an application for determination of tax exempt status under such section) (other than an entity whose principal purpose is to conduct activities described in clauses (i) and (ii) of section 30101(20)(A) of this title) where such solicitation does not specify how the funds will or should be spent.

**(B) Certain specific solicitations**

In addition to the general solicitations permitted under subparagraph (A), an individual described in paragraph (1) may make a solicitation explicitly to obtain funds for carrying out the activities described in clauses (i) and (ii) of section 30101(20)(A) of this title, or for an entity whose principal purpose is to conduct such activities, if—

- (i) the solicitation is made only to individuals; and
- (ii) the amount solicited from any individual during any calendar year does not exceed \$20,000.

**(f) State candidates**

**(1) In general**

A candidate for State or local office, individual holding State or local office, or an agent of such a candidate or individual may not spend any funds for a communication described in section 30101(20)(A)(iii) of this title unless the funds are subject to the limitations, prohibitions, and reporting requirements of this Act.

**(2) Exception for certain communications**

Paragraph (1) shall not apply to an individual described in such paragraph if the communication involved is in connection with an election for such State or local office and refers only to such individual or to any other candidate for the State or local office held or sought by such individual, or both.

(Pub. L. 92-225, title III, § 323, as added Pub. L. 107-155, title I, § 101(a), Mar. 27, 2002, 116 Stat. 82.)

**Editorial Notes**

**REFERENCES IN TEXT**

This Act, referred to in text, means the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as defined by section 30101 of this title.

**CODIFICATION**

Section was formerly classified to section 441i of Title 2, The Congress, prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

**PRIOR PROVISIONS**

A prior section 323 of Pub. L. 92-225 was classified to section 441i of Title 2, The Congress, and related to acceptance of excessive honorariums, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 102-90, title I, § 6(d), Aug. 14, 1991, 105 Stat. 451.

Another prior section 323 of Pub. L. 92-225 was renumbered section 318, and is classified to section 30120 of this title.

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

**EFFECTIVE DATE**

Section effective Nov. 6, 2002, except that subsec. (b) of this section not applicable with respect to runoff

elections, recounts, or election contests resulting from elections held prior to Nov. 6, 2002, with transitional rules for the spending of soft money of national political parties, see section 402 of Pub. L. 107-155, set out as an Effective Date of 2002 Amendment; Regulations note under section 30101 of this title.

**§ 30126. Prohibition of contributions by minors**

An individual who is 17 years old or younger shall not make a contribution to a candidate or a contribution or donation to a committee of a political party.

(Pub. L. 92-225, title III, § 324, as added Pub. L. 107-155, title III, § 318, Mar. 27, 2002, 116 Stat. 109.)

**Editorial Notes**

**CODIFICATION**

Section was formerly classified to section 441k of Title 2, The Congress, prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

**CONSTITUTIONALITY**

For information regarding the constitutionality of statute prohibiting persons “17 years old or younger” from contributing to candidates or political parties, see the Table of Laws Held Unconstitutional in Whole or in Part by the Supreme Court on the Constitution Annotated website, [constitution.congress.gov](http://constitution.congress.gov).

**PRIOR PROVISIONS**

A prior section 324 of Pub. L. 92-225 was renumbered section 319, and is classified to section 30121 of this title.

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

**EFFECTIVE DATE**

Section effective Nov. 6, 2002, but not applicable with respect to runoff elections, recounts, or election contests resulting from elections held prior to Nov. 6, 2002, see section 402 of Pub. L. 107-155, set out as an Effective Date of 2002 Amendment; Regulations note under section 30101 of this title.

**SUBCHAPTER II—GENERAL PROVISIONS**

**§ 30141. Extension of credit by regulated industries; regulations**

The Secretary of Transportation, the Federal Communications Commission, and the Surface Transportation Board shall each maintain,<sup>1</sup> its own regulations with respect to the extension of credit, without security, by any person regulated by the Secretary under subpart II of part A of subtitle VII of title 49, or such Commission or Board, to any candidate for Federal office, or to any person on behalf of such a candidate, for goods furnished or services rendered in connection with the campaign of such candidate for nomination for election, or election, to such office.

(Pub. L. 92-225, title IV, § 401, Feb. 7, 1972, 86 Stat. 19; Pub. L. 93-443, title II, § 201(b)(1), Oct. 15, 1974, 88 Stat. 1275; Pub. L. 103-272, § 4(a), July 5, 1994, 108 Stat. 1360; Pub. L. 104-88, title III, § 313, Dec. 29, 1995, 109 Stat. 948; Pub. L. 104-287, § 6(g), Oct. 11, 1996, 110 Stat. 3399.)

<sup>1</sup> So in original. The comma probably should not appear.