

110TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 1091

To amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to repeal the limitation on party expenditures on behalf of candidates in general elections.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 11, 2007

Mr. CORKER (for himself and Mr. BENNETT) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Campaign Account-
5 ability Act of 2007”.

1 **SEC. 2. REPEAL OF LIMIT ON AMOUNT OF PARTY EXPENDI-**
 2 **TURES ON BEHALF OF CANDIDATES IN GEN-**
 3 **ERAL ELECTIONS.**

4 (a) REPEAL OF LIMIT.—Section 315(d) of the Fed-
 5 eral Election Campaign Act of 1971 (2 U.S.C. 441a(d))
 6 is amended—

7 (1) in paragraph (1)—

8 (A) by striking “(1) Notwithstanding any
 9 other provision of law with respect to limita-
 10 tions on expenditures or limitations on con-
 11 tributions, the national committee” and insert-
 12 ing “Notwithstanding any other provision of
 13 law with respect to limitations on amounts of
 14 expenditures or contributions, a national com-
 15 mittee”,

16 (B) by striking “the general” and inserting
 17 “any”, and

18 (C) by striking “Federal office, subject to
 19 the limitations contained in paragraphs (2), (3),
 20 and (4) of this subsection” and inserting “Fed-
 21 eral office in any amount”; and

22 (2) by striking paragraphs (2), (3), and (4).

23 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

24 (1) INDEXING.—Section 315(c) of such Act (2
 25 U.S.C. 441a(c)) is amended—

1 (A) in paragraph (1)(B)(i), by striking
 2 “(d),”; and

3 (B) in paragraph (2)(B)(i), by striking
 4 “subsections (b) and (d)” and inserting “sub-
 5 section (b)”.

6 (2) INCREASE IN LIMITS FOR SENATE CAN-
 7 DIDATES FACING WEALTHY OPPONENTS.—Section
 8 315(i) of such Act (2 U.S.C. 441a(i)(1)) is amend-
 9 ed—

10 (A) in paragraph (1)(C)(iii)—

11 (i) by adding “and” at the end of sub-
 12 clause (I),

13 (ii) in subclause (II), by striking “;
 14 and” and inserting a period, and

15 (iii) by striking subclause (III);

16 (B) in paragraph (2)(A) in the matter pre-
 17 ceding clause (i), by striking “, and a party
 18 committee shall not make any expenditure,”;

19 (C) in paragraph (2)(A)(ii), by striking
 20 “and party expenditures previously made”; and

21 (D) in paragraph (2)(B), by striking “and
 22 a party shall not make any expenditure”.

23 (3) INCREASE IN LIMITS FOR HOUSE CAN-
 24 DIDATES FACING WEALTHY OPPONENTS.—Section

1 315A(a) of such Act (2 U.S.C. 441a–1(a)) is amend-
2 ed—

3 (A) in paragraph (1)—

4 (i) by adding “and” at the end of sub-
5 paragraph (A),

6 (ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking
7 “; and” and inserting a period, and

8 (iii) by striking subparagraph (C);

9 (B) in paragraph (3)(A) in the matter pre-
10 ceding clause (i), by striking “, and a party
11 committee shall not make any expenditure,”;

12 (C) in paragraph (3)(A)(ii), by striking
13 “and party expenditures previously made”; and

14 (D) in paragraph (3)(B), by striking “and
15 a party shall not make any expenditure”.

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