

# PROGRAM BILL # 16

Legislative Bill Drafting Commission  
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## IN SENATE

Senate introducer's signature

The senators whose names are circled below wish to join me in the sponsorship of this proposal

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s52 Akshar	s49 Farley	s09 Kaminsky	s40 Murphy	s10 Sanders
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s38 Carlucci	s22 Golden	s37 Latimer	s13 Peralta	s16 Stavisky
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s03 Croci	s20 Hamilton	s45 Little	s19 Persaud	Cousins
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IN SENATE--Introduced by Sen

--read twice and ordered printed,  
and when printed to be committed  
to the Committee on

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Assembly  
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IN ASSEMBLY--Introduced by M. of A.

with M. of A. as co-sponsors

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Committee on

### \*ELECTA\*

(Relates to political contributions  
by limited liability companies or  
other corporate entities)

Elect. LLC political contribution

### AN ACT

to amend the election law, in  
relation to political contributions  
by limited liability companies or  
other corporate entities

The People of the State of New  
York, represented in Senate and  
Assembly, do enact as follows:

## IN ASSEMBLY

Assembly introducer's signature

The Members of the Assembly whose names are circled below wish to join me in the multi-sponsorship of this proposal:

a049 Abbate	a034 DenDekker	a011 Jean-Pierre	a003 Murray	a076 Seawright
a092 Abinanti	a054 Dilan	a135 Johns	a133 Nojey	a087 Sepulveda
a084 Arroyo	a081 Dinowitz	a077 Joyner	a037 Nolan	a027 Simanowitz
a035 Aubry	a147 DiPietro	a094 Katz	a130 Oaks	a052 Simon
a120 Barclay	a115 Duprey	a074 Kavanagh	a069 O'Donnell	a036 Simotas
a106 Barrett	a004 Englebright	a142 Kearns	a051 Ortiz	a104 Skartados
a060 Barron	a109 Fahy	a040 Kim	a091 Otis	a099 Skoufis
a082 Benedetto	a071 Farrell	a131 Kolb	a132 Palmesano	a022 Soleges
a042 Bichotte	a126 Finch	a105 Lalor	a002 Palumbo	a114 Stec
a079 Blake	a008 Fitzpatrick	a013 Lavine	a088 Paulin	a110 Steck
a117 Blankenbush	a124 Friend	a134 Lawrence	a141 Peoples-	a127 Stirpe
a098 Brabeneo	a095 Galef	a050 Lentol	Stokes	a112 Tedisco
a026 Braunstein	a137 Gantt	a125 Lifton	a058 Perry	a101 Tenney
a044 Brennan	a007 Garbarino	a072 Linares	a086 Pichardo	a001 Thiele
a119 Brindisi	a148 Giglio	a102 Lopez	a089 Pretlow	a061 Titone
a138 Bronson	a080 Gjonaj	a123 Lupardo	a073 Quart	a031 Titus
a093 Buchwald	a066 Glick	a010 Lupinacci	a019 Ra	a055 Walker
a118 Butler	a023 Goldfeder	a121 Magee	a012 Raia	a146 Walter
a103 Cahill	a150 Goodell	a129 Magnarelli	a006 Ramos	a141 Weinstein
a065 Cancel	a075 Gottfried	a064 Malliotakis	a043 Richardson	a024 Weprin
a062 Castorina	a005 Graf	a030 Markey	a078 Rivera	a059 Williams
a145 Ceretto	a100 Gunther	a090 Mayer	a056 Robinson	a113 Woerner
a047 Colton	a046 Harris	a108 McDonald	a068 Rodriguez	a143 Wozniak
a032 Cook	a139 Hawley	a014 McDonough	a067 Rosenthal	a070 Wright
a144 Corwin	a083 Heastie	a017 McKevitt	a025 Rozic	a096 Zebrowski
a085 Crespo	a028 Hevesi	a107 McLaughlin	a116 Russell	a020
a122 Crouch	a048 Hiking	a038 Miller	a149 Ryan	a033
a021 Curran	a018 Hooper	a015 Montesano	a009 Saladino	
a063 Cusick	a128 Hunter	a136 Morelle	a111 Santabarbara	
a045 Cymbrowitz	a029 Hyndman	a057 Mosley	a016 Schimel	
a053 Davila	a097 Jaffee	a039 Moya	a140 Schimminger	

1) Single House Bill (introduced and printed separately in either or both houses). Uni-Bill (introduced simultaneously in both houses and printed as one bill. Senate and Assembly introducer sign the same copy of the bill).

2) Circle names of co-sponsors and return to introduction clerk with 2 signed copies of bill and 4 copies of memorandum in support (single house); or 4 signed copies of bill and 8 copies of memorandum in support (uni-bill).

1 Section 1. The election law is amended by adding a new section 14-117  
2 to read as follows:

3 § 14-117. Political contributions by limited liability companies or  
4 other corporate entities. 1. No limited liability company or other  
5 corporate entity doing business in this state, except a corporation,  
6 association, limited liability company or other corporate entity organ-  
7 ized or maintained for political purposes only, shall directly or indi-  
8 rectly pay or use or offer, consent or agree to pay or use any money or  
9 property for, or in aid of, any political party, committee or organiza-  
10 tion maintained for, or in aid of, any candidate for political office or  
11 for nomination for such office, or for any political purpose whatsoever  
12 or for, or in aid of, any corporation, joint-stock or other association  
13 organized or maintained for, or in aid of, any candidate for political  
14 office or for nomination for such office or for any political purpose  
15 whatsoever or, for the reimbursement or indemnification of any person  
16 for moneys or property so used. Any officer, director, stock-holder,  
17 member, owner, attorney or agent of any limited liability company or  
18 other corporate entity which violates any of the provisions of this  
19 section, who participates in, aids, abets, or advises or consents to any  
20 such violations, and any person who solicits or knowingly receives any  
21 money or property in violation of this section shall be guilty of a  
22 misdemeanor.

23 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision one of this section,  
24 any limited liability company or other corporate entity or an organiza-  
25 tion financially supported in whole or in part, by such limited liabil-  
26 ity company or other corporate entity, may make expenditures, including  
27 contributions, not otherwise prohibited by law, for political purposes,  
28 in an amount not to exceed five thousand dollars in the aggregate in any

1 calendar year; provided that no public utility shall use revenues  
2 received from the rendition of public service within the state for  
3 contributions for political purposes unless such cost is charged to the  
4 shareholders of such a public service corporation.

5 3. Each limited liability company or other corporate entity that makes  
6 an expenditure pursuant to this section shall file with the state board  
7 of elections by December thirty-first of the year in which the expendi-  
8 ture is made, on the form prescribed by the state board of elections,  
9 the identity of all direct and indirect owners of the membership inter-  
10 ests in the limited liability company or other corporate entity and the  
11 proportion of each direct or indirect member's ownership interest in the  
12 limited liability company or other corporate entity.

13 § 2. Section 14-120 of the election law is amended by adding a new  
14 subdivision 3 to read as follows:

15 3. (a) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, all contributions made  
16 to a campaign or political committee pursuant to section 14-117 of this  
17 article, shall be treated as an individual contribution made by each  
18 member of the limited liability company or other corporate entity in  
19 proportion to the member's ownership interest in the limited liability  
20 company or other corporate entity.

21 (b) If, by application of paragraph (a) of this subdivision, a  
22 campaign contribution is treated as an individual contribution by anoth-  
23 er limited liability company or other corporate entity, such contrib-  
24 ution shall be further treated as an individual contribution made by  
25 each member of the limited liability company or other corporate entity  
26 in proportion to the member's ownership interest in the limited liabil-  
27 ity company or other corporate entity.

1     (c) The state board of elections shall enact regulations that prevent  
2     the avoidance of the rules set forth in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this  
3     subdivision.

4     § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.