

## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL **ACT MEMO**

## 2015 Wisconsin Act 117 [2015 Assembly Bill 387]

## **State Campaign Finance Law**

January 19, 2016

**2015 Wisconsin Act 117** repeals all provisions contained within ch. 11, Stats., the statutory chapter governing state campaign finance law, and replaces the prior provisions with a new statutory chapter. The Act contains the following major provisions: (1) a new reporting structure for committees and conduits; (2) a new reporting structure for express advocacy made in the 60 days before an election; (3) increased contribution limits and restricted contributions from corporations, labor unions, and tribes; and (4) constraints on coordination of express advocacy with a candidate, legislative campaign committee, or political party.

A detailed description of these major provisions may be found in the following Information Memorandum, State Campaign Finance Law: Major Provisions of 2015 Wisconsin Act 117 at: http://legis.wisconsin.gov/lc.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature's Web site at: http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov.