

DRAFTER'S NOTE
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Representative Pocan:

Proposed s. 11.31 (3m) of the /1 draft provided for an increased disbursement limitation for candidates who are opposed or whose opponents are supported by independent disbursements. Since, under this draft, candidates who accept grants are effectively bound to disbursement limits by the limitations on the amounts of grants plus the limitations on seed money contributions, and because your redraft instructions referenced matching grants for independent disbursements, this draft deletes proposed s. 11.31 (3m) and substitutes a new provision, proposed s. 11.51 (11), which provides for these matching grants. You also requested that the match be provided when something is ordered. If there is a firm understanding or agreement that goods or services are to be provided, this should trigger the current requirement to report an "incurred obligation," which under the draft should then trigger a match. As we discussed earlier, it is possible under the draft that a purchasing order or contract may be cancelled after a matching grant is distributed based upon that order or contract. Under the draft, the total additional grants available to a candidate may not exceed 2.5 times the original amount of the candidate's grant. Please let us know if this treatment is not in accord with your intent.

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