

**DRAFTER'S NOTE  
FROM THE  
LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU**

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Representative Schneider:

You may wish to consider the following issues in connection with this draft:

1. With certain exceptions, current law prohibits a corporation or cooperative from making a direct contribution to a candidate, or implicitly, to an agent of a candidate, for state or local office from the corporate treasury, and also prohibits a candidate, or his or her personal campaign or authorized support committee, from accepting such a contribution. See s. 11.38, stats. This law does not reach some businesses that are not organized as a corporation or a cooperative.
2. This draft does not directly reach the owner(s) of most offending business, who may continue to make contributions from personal funds or property.

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