

Wyoming



12 Overall Rank

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Wyoming	Overall Rank	To Governor	To State Senate	To State House	To Parties	To PACs
Individual Giving	12	12	12	13	1	1
		\$2,500/election*	\$1,500/election*	\$1,500/election*	Unlimited	Unlimited
PAC Giving	13	1	14	14	1	
		Unlimited	\$5,000/election	\$5,000/election	Unlimited	
Party Giving	1	1	1	1		
		Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited		
Union Giving	50	50	50	50		
		Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited		
Corporate Giving	50	50	50	50		
		Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited		

Inflation Adjustment: No

*Contributions from family members of a candidate are not subject to these limits.

Wyoming has raised its contribution limits twice in recent years, once in 2013 and again in 2015. After the 11 states without limits on individual, party, and PAC giving, Wyoming is now the best of the rest, thanks in large part to these recent legislative changes. Interestingly, the Equality State is the only state in the nation to allow unlimited giving for PACs to gubernatorial candidates but not to legislative candidates. If free political speech is good for the Gov-

ernor’s Mansion, it stands to reason it’s good for the Legislature too.

At the very least, residents of Wyoming would benefit from a policy that sees its limits regularly adjusted for inflation. This is a simple, uncontroversial measure exercised by a majority of states to prevent the erosion of free speech rights with the passage of time.