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FEC ANNOUNCES 1994 PARTY SPENDING LIMITS --AMOUNTS RANGE FROM \$117,200 TO \$2.6 MILLION--

WASHINGTON -- The Federal Election Commission today announced the 1994 general election spending limits for the national and state political party committees.

Amounts for the Senate campaigns will range from a low of \$117,200 in Alaska, to a high of \$2,650,830 in California.

These general election expenditures, known as "coordinated expenditures", are limited under the election law. The national committees of each political party have a set amount they may spend on behalf of each U.S. House and Senate candidate. State party committees may spend equal amounts or may transfer their limits to the national committees, effectively doubling the national committees' expenditure limits in those states or districts.

Coordinated expenditures are made in addition to direct contributions. They are allowed only with regard to the general election, and do not count as either contributions to candidates or as expenditures made by candidates. Party committees may work with candidates' campaigns to determine how the money should be spent, but the campaigns do not receive the funds, the expenditures are reported directly by the party committees on special schedules on their financial disclosure reports.

The election law sets the limit for House races at \$10,000, plus cost-of-living adjustment (COLA). For 1994, that limit is \$29,300, except in states with only one congressional district, where the limit will be \$58,600.

The limits for Senate races are based on state voting age populations (VAP), with a base limit for states with smaller populations. The formula for determining a state's limit is:

$\$.02 \times \text{State VAP} + \text{Cost-of-Living}$
-or-
 $\$20,000 + \text{Cost-of-Living}$ -whichever is greater

The following page lists party expenditure limits for each state.

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**1994 STATE-BY-STATE COORDINATED PARTY
EXPENDITURE LIMITS FOR SENATE NOMINEES**

STATE	VAP (in thousands)	1994 LIMIT
Alabama	3,111	\$ 182,305
*Alaska	410	58,600
Arizona	2,866	167,948
Arkansas	1,790	104,894
California	22,618	1,325,415
Colorado	2,628	154,001
Connecticut	2,503	146,676
*Delaware	525	58,600
Florida	10,510	615,886
Georgia	5,076	297,454
Hawaii	873	58,600
Idaho	767	58,600
Illinois	8,630	505,718
Indiana	4,244	248,698
Iowa	2,080	121,888
Kansas	1,847	108,234
Kentucky	2,817	165,076
Louisiana	3,052	178,847
Maine	933	58,600
Maryland	3,724	218,226
Massachusetts	4,619	270,673
Michigan	6,971	408,501
Minnesota	3,290	192,794
Mississippi	1,885	110,461
Missouri	3,871	226,841
*Montana	607	58,600
Nebraska	1,168	68,445
Nevada	1,037	60,768
New Hampshire	841	58,600
New Jersey	5,983	350,604
New Mexico	1,136	66,570
New York	13,730	804,578
North Carolina	5,241	307,123
*North Dakota	463	58,600
Ohio	8,232	482,395
Oklahoma	2,362	138,413
Oregon	2,251	131,909
Pennsylvania	9,177	537,772
Rhode Island	765	58,600
South Carolina	2,691	157,693
*South Dakota	507	58,600
Tennessee	3,831	224,497
Texas	12,848	752,893
Utah	1,195	70,027
*Vermont	432	58,600
Virginia	4,903	287,316
Washington	3,862	226,313
West Virginia	1,386	81,220
Wisconsin	3,696	216,586
*Wyoming	332	58,600

*In these states, the Senate limit also applies to the House nominee.

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