169.242 Acceptance of contribution by intermediary or agent; disclosure; requirements as to certain contributions; requirements as to contribution from person other than committee; out-of-state contributions made on automatic basis; violations; penalties.

Sec. 42. (1) A person who accepts a contribution, other than by written instrument, on behalf of another and acts as the intermediary or agent of the person from whom the contribution was accepted shall disclose to the recipient of the contribution the intermediary's own name and address and the name and address of the actual source of the contribution.

(2) A contribution from a person whose treasurer does not reside in, whose principal office is not located in, or whose funds are not kept in this state, shall not be accepted by a person for purposes of supporting or opposing candidates for elective office or the qualification, passage, or defeat of a ballot question unless accompanied by a statement certified as true and correct by an officer of the contributing person setting forth the full name and address along with the amount contributed, of each person who contributed to the total amount of the contribution. The occupation, employer, and principal place of business shall be listed for each person who contributed more than $100.00 to the total amount of the contribution. The certified statement shall also state that the contribution was not made from an account containing funds prohibited by section 54. This subsection does not apply if the contributing person is registered as a committee under section 24.

(3) A person shall not receive a contribution from a person other than a committee unless, for purposes of the recipient person's record keeping and reporting requirements, the contribution is accompanied by the name and address of each person who contributed to the total amount of the contribution and the name, address, occupation, employer, and principal place of business of each person who contributed more than $100.00 to the total amount of the contribution.

(4) A contribution from a person whose treasurer does not reside in, whose principal office is not located in, or whose money is not kept in this state shall not be accepted by a person for purposes of supporting or opposing candidates for elective office if the contributing person has received contributions on an automatic basis, including, but not limited to, a payroll deduction plan, unless the contribution is accompanied by a statement, certified as true and correct by an officer of the contributing person, setting forth that all contributions received on an automatic basis are in full compliance with section 55.

(5) A person who knowingly violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable, if the person is an individual, by a fine of not more than $1,000.00 or imprisonment for not more than 90 days, or both, or, if the person is other than an individual, by a fine of not more than $10,000.00.