March 5, 2007

S 488. CARRBORO CAMPAIGN REGULATION (=H 465). Filed 3/5/07. TO AMEND THE CARRBORO CHARTER TO ALLOW THE TOWN TO REQUIRE CANDIDATES FOR ELECTIVE TOWN OFFICE TO DISCLOSE THE NAMES OF CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTORS AND TO LIMIT BY ORDINANCE THE AMOUNT THAT PERSONS MAY CONTRIBUTE TO A CANDIDATE OR THEIR POLITICAL COMMITTEE.

Identical to H 465, filed 3/1/07.

Intro. by Kinnaird.

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May 10, 2007

S 488. CARRBORO CAMPAIGN REGULATION. Filed 3/5/07. Senate amendment makes the following changes to 1st edition. Modifies Section 2-8 of the Town of Carrboro Charter, SL 1987-476, allowing the town to enact an ordinance requiring candidates for elective town office to disclose the names of all persons who contribute more than \$20 to their campaigns (was, all contributors to their campaigns).

July 19, 2007

S 488. CARRBORO CAMPAIGN REGULATION. Filed 3/5/07. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Revises the proposed provisions on disclosure of contributors by (1) requiring disclosure of only individual NC residents who contribute, (2) clarifying that the \$20 threshold is per election, (3) providing a definition of *election*, and (4) prohibiting a higher threshold than provided by general law.

June 26, 2008

S 488. CARRBORO CAMPAIGN REGULATION. Filed 3/5/07. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 3rd edition. Repeals Section 35(b) of SL 2007-391, which amended the town charter to require disclosure by candidates, and their political committees, of contributors who contributed more than \$20 per election. Makes a conforming change to 3rd edition by removing proposed section 2.8 related to disclosure of contributors. Renumbers proposed new sections to the town charter and makes technical changes accordingly. Removes language imposing a limit on contributions to *any political committee* of a candidate. Instead, adds a definition for *candidate* to also mean a political committee authorized by the candidate for that candidate's

election. Adds that a town ordinance limiting contributions may not set that limit lower than \$250. Requires that any such limitation be set for a town office election no earlier than 150 days and no later than 60 days before the opening of candidate filing for the election.

Makes conforming changes to title.

July 10, 2008

S 488. CARRBORO CAMPAIGN REGULATION. Filed 3/5/07. Conference report recommends the following changes to 4th edition to reconcile matters in controversy. Deletes the requirement that any limitation set on the amount of contributions must not be set for a town office election earlier than 150 days nor later than 60 days before candidate filing opens. Instead, reorganizes proposed Section 2-8 of the Carrboro town charter to add provisions that (1) any limitation for a 2009 regular town election may be adopted at any time after the section becomes law but expires 60 days prior to opening of filing for the 2011 regular town election and (2) sets any subsequent extensions of such limitations, with or without change in the amount, to not be adopted earlier than 150 days nor later than 60 days before the opening for filing of that election, with expiration dates set in increments of two years. Provides that contribution limitations also apply to any special election to fill a vacancy under Section 2-2 held at a date other than a regular town election.

SL 2008-97 (S 488). CARRBORO CAMPAIGN REGULATION. AN ACT TO AMEND THE CARRBORO CHARTER TO ALLOW THE TOWN TO LIMIT BY ORDINANCE THE AMOUNT THAT PERSONS MAY CONTRIBUTE TO A CANDIDATE, AS LONG AS THE LIMIT IS NO LOWER THAN TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS PER ELECTION. Summarized in Daily Bulletin 3/5/07, 5/10/07, 7/19/07, 6/26/08, and 7/10/08. Enacted July 15, 2008. Effective July 15, 2008.