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SENATE BILL 5990

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By Senators Benton and McDermott

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1 AN ACT Relating to campaign contribution limitations prior to and  
2 during legislative sessions; and reenacting and amending RCW 42.17.710.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 42.17.710 and 2006 c 348 s 5 and 2006 c 344 s 31 are  
5 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

6 (1) During the period beginning on (~~the thirtieth day before~~) the  
7 date a regular legislative session convenes and continuing through the  
8 date of final adjournment, and during the period beginning on the date  
9 a special legislative session convenes and continuing through the date  
10 that session adjourns, no state official or a person employed by or  
11 acting on behalf of a state official or state legislator may solicit or  
12 accept contributions to a public office fund, to a candidate or  
13 authorized committee, or to retire a campaign debt. Contributions  
14 received through the mail on or after (~~the thirtieth day before~~) the  
15 date a regular legislative session convenes may be accepted if the  
16 contribution is postmarked prior to (~~the thirtieth day before~~) the  
17 date the session convenes.

1           (2) This section does not apply to activities authorized in RCW  
2 43.07.370.

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