## **HOUSE BILL 1130**

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Assigned to: Ways and Means

## A BILL ENTITLED

1	AN ACT concerning
2	Election Law - Campaign Contributions - Prohibition
3	FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person other than an individual or a campaign finance
4 5	entity from directly or indirectly making contributions to campaign finance entities; making conforming changes; and generally relating to campaign contributions.
6	BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
7	Article – Election Law
8	Section 13–226
9	Annotated Code of Maryland
10	(2017 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)
11	BY repealing
12	Article – Election Law
13	Section 13–236 and 13–237
14	Annotated Code of Maryland
15	(2017 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)
16	BY renumbering
17	Article – Election Law
18	Section 13–236.1
19	to be Section 13–236
20	Annotated Code of Maryland
21	(2017 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)
22	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
23	That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Election Law

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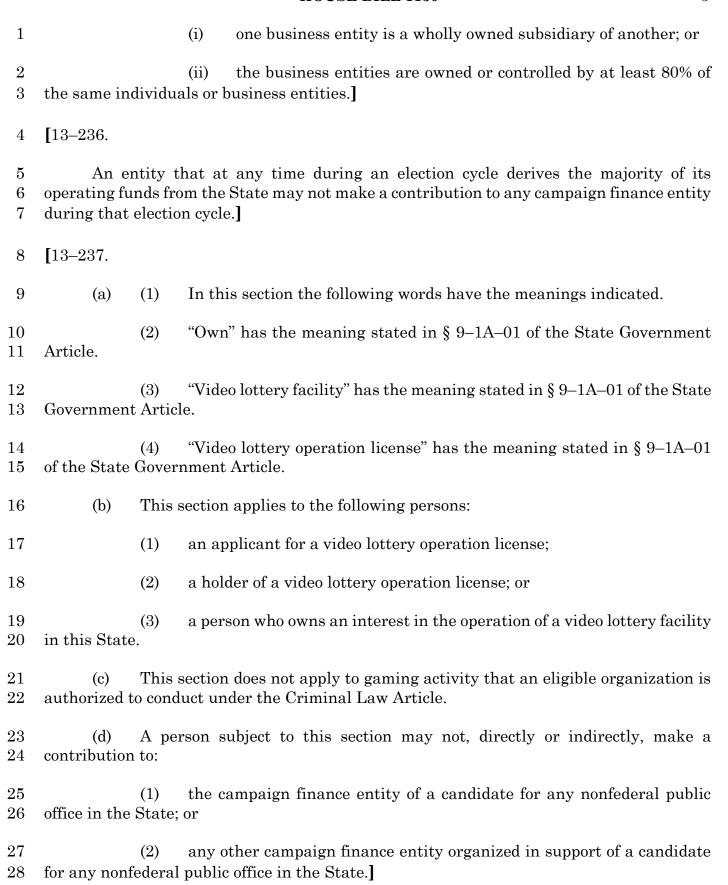
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being made by one contributor if:

1	13–226.
2	(a) The limits on contributions in this section do not apply to:
3	(1) a contribution to a ballot issue committee; or
4	(2) those contributions defined as transfers.
5 6 7	(B) A PERSON OTHER THAN AN INDIVIDUAL OR A CAMPAIGN FINANC ENTITY MAY NOT DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY MAKE A CONTRIBUTION TO A CAMPAIG FINANCE ENTITY.
8 9 10	[(b)] (C) Subject to subsections [(c) and (d)] (D) AND (E) of this section, person] AN INDIVIDUAL may not, either directly or indirectly, in an election cycle makaggregate contributions in excess of:
11	(1) \$6,000 to any one campaign finance entity; or
12	(2) \$24,000 to all campaign finance entities.
13 14 15 16	[(c)] (D) (1) Notwithstanding subsection [(b)] (C) of this section, a central committee of a political party or legislative party caucus committee may make aggregate in—kind contributions to a single candidate during an election cycle that are not in excess of:
17 18	(i) for a State central committee or legislative party caucu committee, \$1 for every two registered voters in the State; and
19 20	(ii) for a local central committee, \$1 for every two registered votes in the county.
21 22 23	(2) For the purposes of paragraph (1) of this subsection, the number of registered voters is determined, regardless of party affiliation, as of the first day of the election cycle.
24 25 26	[(d)] (E) The limit on contributions to the campaign finance entity of a candidat applies regardless of the number of offices sought by the candidate or campaign finance entities formed to support the candidate.
27 28 29	[(e) (1) In this subsection, "business entity" includes a corporation, a solution proprietorship, a general partnership, a limited partnership, a limited liability company, real estate investment trust, or other entity.

Contributions by two or more business entities shall be considered as



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- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 13–236.1 of Article
  Election Law of the Annotated Code of Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s) 13–236.
- 3 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 4 October 1, 2019.