

APPROVED STATEMENTS FOR POLITICAL DONATION RECEIPTS

This fact sheet relates to registered political parties and State election candidates who accept political donations. The information in this fact sheet does not replace legislation. If you are concerned about your obligations, you should seek independent legal advice.

The *Electoral Act 1992* requires registered political parties, candidates, and associated entities to provide donors (who make political donations) with a receipt.¹

This receipt must include an ECQ-approved statement.² The statement will vary depending on who has received the political donation.

This Fact Sheet contains the approved statements for each electoral participant.

Approved statement for use by registered political parties

This gift has been accepted as a political donation. It is an offence to make political donations totalling more than \$4,000 to, or for the benefit of, the same registered political party between 1 July 2022 and 25 November 2024. If you have already made \$4,000 in political donations to this political party during that period, you must not make further political donations to this registered political party. If you believe you have exceeded the \$4,000 political donation cap, you may request a refund of the excess political donation within six weeks of the gift being made. Alternatively, we may refund you the excess amount within that timeframe, to avoid breaching the donation cap laws.

Approved statement for use by endorsed candidates (including electoral committees established by a registered political party)

This gift has been accepted as a political donation. It is an offence to make political donations totalling more than \$6,000 to, or for the benefit of, candidates endorsed by the same registered political party, during a candidate's donation cap period. If you have already made \$6,000 in political donations to endorsed candidates of the same registered political party during that period, you must not make further political donations to candidates endorsed by the party. If you believe you have exceeded the \$6,000 political donation cap, you may request a refund of the excess political donation within six weeks of the gift being made. Alternatively, a candidate (or candidates) may refund you the excess amount within that timeframe, to avoid breaching the donation cap laws.

Approved statement for use by independent candidates

This gift has been accepted as a political donation. It is an offence to make political donations totalling more than \$6,000 to, or for the benefit of, an independent candidate for an election, during a candidate's donation cap period. If you have already made \$6,000 in political donations to me during that period, you must not make further political donations to that same candidate. If you believe you have exceeded the \$6,000 political donation cap, you may request a refund of the excess political donation within six weeks of the gift being made. Alternatively, I may refund you the excess amount within that timeframe, to avoid breaching the donation cap laws.

¹ See section 258

² See section 258(2)(c)



Approved statement for use by associated entities of a registered political party

This gift has been accepted as a political donation. As an associated entity, we are treated as being part of <<<NAME OF ASSOCIATED POLITICAL PARTY>>>. Because of this, it is an offence to make political donations totalling more than \$4,000 to, or for the benefit of, us or our associated registered political party between 1 July 2022 and 25 November 2024. If you have already made \$4,000 in political donations during that period, you must not make further political donations. If you believe you have exceeded the \$4,000 political donation cap, you may request a refund of the excess political donation within six weeks of the gift being made. Alternatively, we may refund you the excess amount within that timeframe, to avoid breaching the donation cap laws.

Approved statement for use by associated entities of a candidate

As an associated entity of <<NAME OF CANDIDATE>>, we are treated as one entity. Because of this, it is an offence to make political donations totalling more than \$6,000 to, or for the benefit of, us, <<NAME OF CANDIDATE>>, or any other candidate endorsed by <<NAME OF REGISTERED POLITICAL PARTY>> during a candidate's donation cap period. If you have already made \$6,000 in political donations during that period, you must not make further political donations. If you believe you have exceeded the \$6,000 political donation cap, you may request a refund of the excess political donation within 6 weeks of the gift being made. Alternatively, the associated entities (or entities) or candidate (or candidates) may refund you the excess amount within that timeframe, to avoid breaching the donation cap laws.