

ORDINANCE NO. 1414

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARCATA
AMENDING THE ARCATA MUNICIPAL CODE TO MAKE
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX ADJUSTMENTS TO
CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION LIMITATIONS**

**TITLE II—Administration
CHAPTER 10—Contribution Limitations**

The City Council of the City of Arcata does ordain as follows:

Section 1: Title II—Administration, Chapter 10—Contribution Limitations, Sections 3012(A)(1) and 3012(D) of the Arcata Municipal Code, are hereby amended by the following strike through and italics to read as follows:

SEC. 3012. CONTRIBUTION LIMITATIONS.

A. Limitations on Contributions from Persons:

1. No person other than a candidate shall make, and no campaign treasurer shall solicit or accept, any contribution which will cause the total amount contributed by such person during an election cycle in support or opposition to such candidate for city office including contributions to all committees supporting or opposing such candidate, to become an amount exceeding the base amount of \$100 (one hundred dollars) for the election cycle, adjusted every two years pursuant to Section 3015, to \$180 (one hundred eighty dollars) in 2012.

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D. Notice of Independent Expenditures:

Any person who makes independent expenditures of more than \$180 (one hundred eighty dollars), in support of or in opposition to any candidate shall notify the local filing officer and all candidates running for the same seat by telegram within five days each time the \$180 (one hundred eighty dollars) threshold is exceeded.

Section 2: Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this chapter is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional, the decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of the Chapter. The City Council hereby declares that it would have passed this Chapter, and each section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases be declared invalid under law.

Section 3: This ordinance is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines.

Section 4: This ordinance will take effect immediately upon adoption pursuant to Government Code section 36937(a).

Dated: April 18, 2012

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

/s/ Randal J. Mendosa
City Clerk, City of Arcata

/s/ Michael Winkler
Mayor, City of Arcata

CLERK'S CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of **Ordinance No. 1414**, passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Arcata, County of Humboldt, State of California, held on the 18th day of April, 2012, by the following vote:

AYES: **WINKLER, BRINTON, ORNELAS, STILLMAN, WHEETLEY**

NOES: **NONE**

ABSENT: **NONE**

ABSTENTIONS: **NONE**

/s/ Randal J. Mendosa
City Clerk, City of Arcata