

Issue Committee Registration Thresholds, State by State
States in grey do not have initiative or referendum

State	Provision	Threshold for Registration	Name	Litigation
AL				
AK	Alaska Stat. section 15.13.050	\$0. Registration must be made before any expenditure is made by more than one person "in support of or in opposition to a ballot proposition or question or to an initiative proposal application filed with the lieutenant governor."	Alaska uses the terms "committee" to apply to all groups, whether they support issues or otherwise.	Disclosure requirements for non-group entities have been upheld, however Alaska law excludes "issues communications" from the definition of "expenditure." Furthermore, issues communications as defined in Alaska law reference candidates. <i>Alaska Right to Life Comm. v. Miles</i> , 441 F.3d 773 (9th Cir. 2006).
AZ	A.R.S. sections 16-901, 16-902.01	\$500 in contributions or expenditures. The statutory language requires registration once a group <i>intends</i> to raise or spend \$500 or more, even if funds have not yet been raised or spent. Committees that intend to spend less than \$500 must file an exemption statement.	Political committee (umbrella term)	None.
AR	A.C.A. section 7-9-404	\$500. Registration is required once a group makes expenditures or accepts contributions of \$500 to expressly advocate for or against a ballot question. There is also a registration threshold (2% of annual spending or \$10,000) for groups that give to existing ballot question committees.	Ballot Question Committee	None.
CA	Cal Gov Code 82013	\$1,000 in contribution to the committee or expenditures of \$10,000 by the committee.	Ballot Measure Committee	None.

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CO	Art. XXVIII Sec. 2(10), Colo. Constitution	\$200 in spending.	Issue Committee	Registration threshold of \$200 held unconstitutional as applied to a group opposed to a local annexation issue in <i>Sampson v. Buescher</i> , numbers 08-1389 and 08-1415 (10th Cir. 2010).
CT				
DE				
FL	Fla. Stat. section 106.011(1)	\$500 to advocate passage or defeat of a ballot issue, \$0 for the sponsor of an initiative who intends to collect signatures.	Political committee (umbrella term)	Contribution limits on moneys given to committees advocating for or against issues held unconstitutional in <i>Winn-Dixie Stores, Inc. v. State</i> , 408 So.2d 211 (Fla. 1981).
GA				
HI				
ID	Idaho Code section 67-6602	"Any person who receives contributions and makes expenditures in an amount exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500) in any calendar year for the purpose of supporting or opposing one (1) or more candidates or measures" must register a committee.	Political committee (sometimes referred to as Political issues committee)	None.
IL				
IN				
IA				
KS				
KY				
LA				

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ME	21-A M.R.S. § 1056-B	\$5,000 raised or spent to promote or defeat ballot issue(s).	Ballot question committee	Motion for temporary restraining order against this provision filed on First Amendment grounds denied (case proceeded on other grounds, issue committee portion did not continue). <i>Nat'l Org. for Marriage v. McKee</i> , 666 F. Supp. 2d 193 (D. Me. 2009).
MD				
MA	M.G.L. chapter 55 sections 1 and 5	\$0 "favoring or opposing the adoption or rejection" of a ballot measure.	Ballot question committee, which is a subcategory of political committees.	None.
MI	MCLS 169.202, 169.203(3)(4), 169.224(24)	\$500 in contributions or \$500 in expenditures in a calendar year. Registration must be within 10 days after a committee is formed.	Ballot question committee	None. An opinion from the state Attorney General upheld ballot measure disclosure requirements as applied to voluntary unincorporated associations in 1988.
MN				
MS	Miss. Code Ann. Section 23-15-801(c)	Contributions of \$200 or expenditures of \$200 in a calendar year.	Political committee (umbrella term)	None.
MO	130.011(3), (9) R.S.Mo.	\$500 in aggregated contributions or expenditures OR any single contribution of \$250.	Campaign committee, which is a subcategory of committees generally	None.
MT	Mont. Code Ann. 13-1-101(22)(b), 13-37-201	\$0: A "certification" is required within 5 days of making "an expenditure" (or authorizing another to make an expenditure on its behalf).	Political committee (umbrella term)	None.

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NE	R.R.S. Neb. Sections 49-1406, 49-1413	\$5,000 in contributions or expenditures in a calendar year.	Ballot question committee, which is a subcategory of committees generally	None.
NV	Nev. Rev. Stat. Ann. 294A.0055, 294A.230	\$0. Committee must register "before it engages in any activity in this State."	Committee for political action (umbrella term)	None.
NH				
NJ				
NM				
NY				
NC				
ND	N.D. Cent. Code, § 16.1-08.1-01(8), 16.1-08.1-03.1(1)	\$100 in contributions.	Measure committee, which is a subcategory of political committee	None.
OH	ORC Ann. Section 3517.10	\$1,000 in contributions and \$1,000 in expenditures (both thresholds must be met)	Political action committee	None.
OK	74 Okl. St. Chap. 62, Appx., 257:10-1-11, 10-1-12	\$500 in contributions or expenditures.	Ballot measure committee	None.
OR	ORS 260.005, 260.118	\$0. Registration must be made within a designated time frame (depending on type of committee) once any contribution is received or expenditure made.	Petition committee (includes referendum petition committee, initiative petition committee, and recall petition committee)	None.
PA				
RI				
SC				

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SD	S.D. Codified Laws section 12-27-1, 12-27-3	\$500 in contributions or expenditures.	Ballot question committee	None.
TN				
TX				
UT	Utah Code Ann. Section 20A-11-101(29)	\$750 in contributions or \$50 in expenditures. Registration is required yearly unless notice of dissolution has been filed.	Political issues committee	Definition of political issues committee held unconstitutional as being vague and overbroad; however, the definition has been subsequently amended. <i>Nat'l Right to Work Legal Def. & Educ. Found., Inc. v. Herbert</i> , 581 F. Supp. 2d 1132 (D. Utah 2008). The threshold for registration has not been litigated.
VT				
VA				
WA	Rev. Code Wash. Section 42.17.020, 42-17-040	\$0. Registration is required within two weeks of the time when a group expects that it will accept contributions or make expenditures.	Political committee (umbrella term).	Organization must have political as its primary purpose or one of its primary purposes before it can be required to register. <i>State v. Dan J. Evans Campaign Comm.</i> , 546 P.2d 75 (Wash. 1976). Disclosure requirements upheld, even for a group that does not have political advocacy as its sole purpose, in <i>Human Life of Wash., Inc. v. Brumsickle</i> , 624 F.3d 990 (9th Cir. 2010).
WV				
WI				
WY	Wyo. Stat. section 22-25-106(b), (f)	A definition of committee types cannot be located nor can a threshold for registration.	Political action committee	None known.