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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CARRBORO CHARTER TO ALLOW THE TOWN TO
LIMIT BY ORDINANCE THE AMOUNT THAT PERSONS MAY
CONTRIBUTE TO A CANDIDATE, AS LONG AS THE LIMIT IS NO LOWER
THAN TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS PER ELECTION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Section 2-7 of the Charter of the Town of Carrboro, being Chapter 476 of the 1987 Session Laws, as added by Section 2 of Chapter 660 of the 1993 Session Laws, is repealed.

SECTION 2. Article 2 of the Charter of the Town of Carrboro, being Chapter 476 of the 1987 Session Laws, is amended by adding the following section to read:

"Section 2-8. **Limitation on contributions.** Except as provided by G.S. 163-278.13(c), the town may by ordinance limit the amount of contributions which any individual, person, or political committee may contribute to any candidate for town office. The ordinance may not set a limitation which has a dollar amount greater than the dollar amount set in the general law which would apply to elective office in the town. The ordinance may not set a limitation lower than two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) per election. Any such limitation must be set for an election for town office not earlier than 150 days before candidate filing for the election opens nor later than 60 days before candidate filing for the election opens.

"Section 2-9. **Definitions.** The definitions in Article 22A of Chapter 163 of the General Statutes apply to Section 2-8 of this Charter. As used in Section 2-8, "candidate" also means a political committee authorized by the candidate for that candidate's election."

SECTION 3. Section 35(b) of Session Law 2007-391 is repealed.

SECTION 4. This act is effective when it becomes law.