

ORDINANCE NO. 3487

SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY ORDINANCE RESCINDING LOCAL CAMPAIGN FINANCE CONTRIBUTION LIMITS

WHEREAS, the California Political Reform Act of 1974 (Gov. Code § 81000 et seq.) (“Political Reform Act”) was amended by the voters in 1988, to impose contribution limitations for statewide offices, and authorized local jurisdictions to enact contribution limits or other prohibitions; and

WHEREAS, in 2019, the Legislature approved, and the Governor signed into law AB 571 which amended the Political Reform Act to impose contribution limitations on local elective offices in jurisdictions that have not enacted their own contribution limits; and

WHEREAS, on November 20, 2020, the County Board of Supervisors adopted Ordinance No. 3429 establishing local campaign contribution limits and local enforcement provisions; and

WHEREAS, by this Ordinance, the County Board of Supervisors desires to rescind Ordinance No. 3429 and to default to the State’s campaign contribution limits and rules per AB 571.

The Board of Supervisors of the County of San Luis Obispo ordains as follows:

SECTION I. It is the purpose and intent of the Board of Supervisors in adopting this Ordinance to rescind Ordinance No. 3429 and to default to the State’s campaign contribution limits and rules per AB 571, including the manner in which such rules are enforced.

SECTION II: Chapter 30.02 is hereby deleted from the San Luis Obispo County Code.

SECTION III: If any section, subsection, clause, phrase or portion of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of the remaining portion of this ordinance. The Board of Supervisors hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance and each section, subsection, clause, phrase or portion thereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, phrases or portions be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION IV: This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and effect thirty (30) days after its passage and before the expiration of fifteen (15) days after passage of this ordinance, it shall be published once with the names of the members of the Board of Supervisors voting for and against the ordinance in a newspaper of general circulation published in the County of San Luis Obispo, State of California.

SECTION V: Adoption of this ordinance is not subject to environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act because it is not a project as defined in CEQA Guidelines section 15378.

SECTION VI: In accordance with Government Code Section 25131, after reading the title of this Ordinance, further reading of the Ordinance in full is waived.

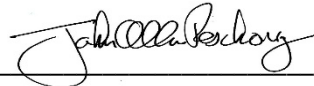
INTRODUCED at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors held on the 21st day of March, 2023 and PASSED and ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Luis Obispo, State of California, on the 4th day of April, 2023, by the following roll call to vote, to wit:

AYES: Supervisors Bruce S. Gibson, Jimmy Paulding and Dawn Ortiz-Legg

NOES: Supervisor Debbie Arnold and Chairperson John Peschong

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINING: None



John Peschong
Chairperson of the Board of Supervisors
of the County of San Luis Obispo
State of California

ATTEST:

WADE HORTON
Ex-Officio Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: Niki Martin
Deputy Clerk