**Legal Title**  
California Election Campaign Fund

**Legal Citation/Authority**  
Chapter 488, Statutes of 1983  
Revenue and Taxation Code section 18740

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**Purpose**  
This fund was created as a depository for contributions to political parties that are designated on and submitted with California income tax returns to the Franchise Tax Returns. The contribution is submitted in addition to the tax liability, not deducted from the tax liability.

**Administering Agency/Organization Code**  
Franchise Tax Board/1730 receives the contributions and certifies the amounts to be disbursed to political parties. State Controller's Office/0840 is responsible for disbursement.

**Major Revenue Source**  
Amount equal to contributions to political parties designated by taxpayers on California income tax returns and submitted in addition to tax liability.

**Disposition of Fund (upon abolishment)**  
Transfers to political parties as designated by contributors.  
Administrative costs of the Franchise Tax Board and State Controller's Office.

**Appropriation Authority**  
Section 32003 of the Elections Code provides that an appropriation from the General Fund not in excess of the amount certified by the Franchise Tax Board shall be transferred into the California Election Campaign Fund annually and shall remain available to the fund without regard to fiscal year.

**State Appropriations Limit**  
Always Excluded – Revenues in this fund are not proceeds of taxes and even after transfer, will never become proceeds of taxes because the major revenue source is derived from a Trust and Agency Fund (Non-Federal).

**Comments/Historical Information**  