



General Assembly

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**Proposed Bill No. 226**

LCO No. 2251



Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION  
AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by:  
SEN. LOONEY, 11th Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE CITIZENS' ELECTION PROGRAM.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General  
Assembly convened:

- 1 That chapter 157 of the general statutes be amended to (1) provide
- 2 that (A) participating major party candidates for the office of Governor
- 3 may apply for grants from the Citizens' Election Fund prior to the close
- 4 of their respective state conventions, and (B) upon approval of such
- 5 applications by the State Elections Enforcement Commission, one-
- 6 quarter of the applicable grant amounts shall be paid from the fund to
- 7 the qualified candidate committees of such candidates, and (2) increase
- 8 the primary and general election grant amounts for such candidates to
- 9 twice their current amounts.

**Statement of Purpose:**

To (1) allow major party gubernatorial candidates participating in the  
Citizens' Election Program to receive grant moneys earlier in the election  
cycle, and (2) double the primary and general election grant amounts  
for such candidates under said program.