



ADDENDUM TO GUIDE FOR PARTY (TOWN AND STATE CENTRAL) COMMITTEES *(last revised February 2017)*

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In January 2018, the **limits on organization expenditures** made by town committees on behalf of General Assembly candidates participating in the Citizens' Election were adjusted according to the consumer price index. A town committee may now make up to **\$11,420** in organization expenditures on behalf of a participating state senate candidate during the general election campaign and up to **\$3,997** for a participating state representative candidate during the general election campaign. For more information on organization expenditures, please see the pertinent section of the Guide on pages 29-31.

Also, since this Guide was last published in February 2017, the legislature made revisions to **the Commission's complaint procedures** so that any complaints received on or after January 1, 2018 must be dismissed if the Commission does not issue a decision on the complaint within one year of receiving it. This one-year time limit may be extended due to the following: (1) the Commission or its staff granting any extension or continuance to a respondent prior to the issuance of a decision; (2) any subpoena being issued in connection with the complaint; (3) any litigation in state or federal court related to the complaint; or (4) any investigation by or consultation of the Commission or its staff with the Chief State's Attorney, the Attorney General, the United States Department of Justice, or the United States Attorney for Connecticut related to such complaint. See [Public Act 17-2 \(June Special Session\)](#). In light of such law change, respondents, including treasurers, should be prepared and organized to immediately respond to requests from the Commission in the event a complaint is filed against them.

The 2017 party committee guidebook may be found on the Commission's website, or [here](#).