

## CRIMINAL VIOLATIONS OF CONGRESS'S TILLMAN ACT (1907) ARE MAX

2 U.S. Code § 441(b) [52 U.S. Code § 30118] - Contributions or expenditures by national banks, corporations, or labor organizations

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### KEY SUBSECTIONS:

(a) In general: It is unlawful for any national bank, or any corporation organized by authority of any law of Congress, to make a [contribution or expenditure](#) in connection with any [election](#) to any political office, or in connection with any primary [election](#) or political convention or caucus held to select candidates for any political office, or for any corporation whatever, or any [labor organization](#), to make a [contribution or expenditure](#) in connection with any [election](#) at which presidential and vice presidential electors or a Senator or Representative in, or a Delegate or Resident Commissioner to, Congress are to be voted for, or in connection with any primary [election](#) or political convention or caucus held to select candidates for any of the foregoing offices, or for any candidate, political committee, or other [person](#) knowingly to accept or receive any [contribution](#) prohibited by this section, or any officer or any director of any corporation or any national bank or any officer of any [labor organization](#) to consent to any [contribution or expenditure](#) by the corporation, national bank, or [labor organization](#), as the case may be, prohibited by this section.

(b) Definitions; particular activities prohibited or allowed

(2) For purposes of this section and section 79l(h) of title 15, <sup>[1]</sup> the term “[contribution or expenditure](#)” includes a [contribution or expenditure](#), as those terms are defined in [section 30101 of this title](#), and also includes any direct or indirect payment, distribution, loan, advance, deposit, or gift of money, or any services, or anything of value (except a loan of money by a national or [State](#) bank made in accordance with the applicable banking laws and regulations and in the ordinary course of business) to any candidate, campaign committee, or [political party](#) or organization, in connection with any [election](#) to any of the offices referred to in this section or for any [applicable electioneering communication](#), but shall not include (A) communications by a corporation to its stockholders and [executive or administrative personnel](#) and their families or by a [labor organization](#) to its members and their families on any subject; (B) nonpartisan registration and get-out-the-vote campaigns by a corporation aimed at its stockholders and [executive or administrative personnel](#) and their families, or by a [labor organization](#) aimed at its members and their families; and (C) the establishment, administration, and solicitation of [contributions](#) to a separate segregated fund to be utilized for political purposes by a corporation, [labor organization](#), membership organization, cooperative, or corporation without capital stock.