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**Contributions
Chapters 103, 106, Florida Statutes**

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You have asked, on behalf of the Florida Democratic Party, whether donations to the Florida Democratic Party for, and exclusively for the purchase of real property for a Party headquarters - with such funds to be segregated from other Party monies, placed in a trust account for this sole purpose, with the audit of said funds to be provided to the Division of Elections upon request - would constitute reportable contributions under Section 106.011(3), F.S.

Your enquiry is answered in the negative.

Contributions, as defined, are "made for the purpose of influencing the results of an election," Section 106.011(3)(a), F.S., or are transfer between political committees, Section 106.011(3)(b), F.S., or are payments by a non-candidate or non-political committee of compensation for services to a candidate or political committee without charge to said candidate or committee, Section 106.011(3)(c), F.S.

Monies donated, gratuitously or upon request, to purchase a water cooler or wastebasket for, or fence around, Party headquarters, or monies for the purchase of really or a building but not manifestly given or received to influence the results of an election, would not be reportable contributions under Chapter 106, Florida Statutes.