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An election period for a Political Action Committee (PAC) is two years, January 1 following the General Election until December 31 immediately, following the next General Election, however the PAC may contribute the maximum allowable amount only once to a candidate committee during the candidate committee election period, which could be the same two year period or could extend to four years, depending on term of office. The candidate committee is prohibited by law from accepting contributions in excess of the maximum amounts during the candidate committee election period. Whether a candidate committee election period is for two or four years, the PAC can only contribute up to the maximum amount one time.

In the situation whereby the candidate is nominated by the Primary Election the PAC is specifically excluded from making additional contributions for the post-primary election period.