

****A.B. X - Anti-Citizens United Act****

*Whereas, *Citizens United* allowed for unlimited spending in elections by unnatural persons including corporations and unions;*

Whereas, such unlimited spending poses significant issues with corruption and the power of special interest groups over ordinary citizens;

Whereas, the financial costs of elections continue to skyrocket which is a barrier to entry for third-party candidates and ordinary citizens attempting to enter politics;

*Whereas, *Citizens United* and associated effects should be relitigated;*

Be it enacted by the Atlantic Commonwealth Assembly assembled.

****SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.****

(1) This Act may be referred to as the “Anti-Citizens United Act.”

****SECTION 2. PLAIN ENGLISH EXPLANATION.****

(1) Section 3 restricts independent political expenditures 60 days before a general election or 30 days before a primary election and disallows unions, corporations, or other for-profit entities from making independent political expenditures.

****SECTION 3. REGULATION OF INDEPENDENT EXPENDITURE COMMITTEES.****

(1) [Atlantic Commonwealth Election Law §14-107-A\(3\)](#) is created to read: “An independent expenditure committee shall not make a political communication within 60 days of a general election or 30 days of a primary election.”

(2) [Atlantic Commonwealth Election Law §14-100\(15\)](#) is amended by striking “corporation, unincorporated business entity, labor organization or business, trade or professional association, or organization.”

****SECTION 4. ENACTMENT.****

(1) This Act shall take effect on January 1, 2021.

This Act is sponsored by U.S. Representative President_Dewey (D-US).