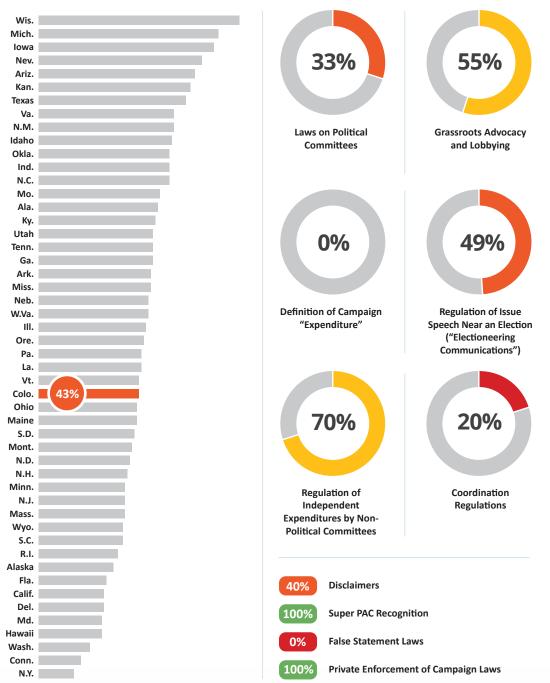
## Colorado

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Colorado		Model	
Laws on Political Committees			
What portion of your activities must be considered "political" to become a political committee?	Any	The Major	
How is this activity defined?	Contributions & Expenditures	Contributions & Expenditures	
What amount of spending triggers registration?	\$200.01	≥\$10,000	
Is the spending threshold inflation adjusted?	No	Yes	
What contribution size triggers reporting of a supporter's info?	\$20.00	≥\$2,500	
Must groups report a supporter's employer?	Yes	No	
Regulation of Issue Speech Near an Election ("Electioneering Communications")			
Does the state regulate this speech?	Yes	No	
Does the law apply only to TV and radio ads?	No	Yes	
What amount of spending triggers reporting?	\$1,000.00	≥\$10,000	
Is the spending threshold inflation adjusted?	No	Yes	
How much of an election year is this speech regulated?	>90 Days	≤90 days	
Does it regulate speech mentioning a candidate outside their district?	No	No	
Is reporting of a group's supporters required?	Earmark	No	
Can groups protect a donor's privacy with a separate segregated fund?	N/A	N/A	
Can donors stay private by barring their contributions from funding such speech?	N/A	N/A	
Are charities exempted?	No	Yes	
Is the media exempted?	Yes, Limited	Yes, Broad	
Coordination Regulations			
Can using public information constitute coordination?	No	No	
How clearly does the state define speech that triggers coordination rules?	Unclearly at Any Time	Clearly	
Super PAC Recognition			
Does the law allow super PACs?	Yes	Yes	

Colorado		Model	
Grassroots Advocacy and Lob	bying		
Are groups that advocate only to the public regulated?	Yes	No	
Is regulation limited to a clear list of activities?	No	Yes	
Is regulation limited to speech about pending bills?	No	Yes	
What amount of spending triggers reporting?	\$0.00	≥\$5,000	
Is reporting of a group's supporters required?	No	No	
If reporting is required, is it limited to earmarked donations?	N/A	Yes	
What donation size triggers reporting of a supporter's info?	N/A	≥\$5,000	
Are the monetary thresholds inflation adjusted?	N/A	Yes	
Is donor reporting required for groups that lobby lawmakers?	No	No	
Definition of Campaign "Expenditure"			
How clearly does the state define a campaign expenditure?	Unclearly	Clearly	
Regulation of Independent Expenditures by Non-Political Committees			
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