

**351—4.28(68A) Prohibition on contributions and independent expenditures by foreign nationals.** As provided in Federal Election Commission regulation 11 CFR 110.20, a foreign national shall not, directly or indirectly, make a contribution or expenditure of money or other thing of value, or specifically promise to make a contribution, in connection with a state or local campaign or election in Iowa. A foreign national shall not, directly or indirectly, make a contribution to a campaign committee organized under Iowa Code Supplement chapter 68A. Foreign nationals are also prohibited from making independent expenditures in relation to any state or local campaign or election in Iowa.

**4.28(1) *Foreign national defined.*** “Foreign national” means a person who is not a citizen of the United States and who is not lawfully admitted for permanent residence. “Foreign national” also includes a “foreign principal,” such as a government of a foreign country or a foreign political party, partnership, association, corporation, organization, or other combination of persons that has its primary place of business in or is organized under the laws of a foreign country. “Foreign national” shall not include any person who is a citizen of the United States or who is a national of the United States.

**4.28(2) *Acceptance of contributions and independent expenditures from foreign nationals.*** No person shall knowingly accept or receive any contribution from a foreign national with regard to such person’s election-related activities.

**4.28(3) *Participation by foreign nationals in decisions involving election-related activity.*** A foreign national shall not, directly or indirectly, participate in the decision-making process of any person, including a corporation, labor organization, political committee, or political organization, with regard to such person’s election-related activities. Decisions including election-related activities include decisions involving the making of contributions, donations, or expenditures in connection with elections for state or local office or decisions involving the administration of a political committee.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code Supplement chapter 68A.