

Letters for Clean Money!

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Go to www.caclean.org & click the letter-writing tool on the home page to send a message to

- Senate President pro Tem Don Perata
- Senate Appropriations Chair Tom Torlakson
- your state senator (Simitian or Alquist)

urging them to do everything they can to pass A.B. 583, the California Clean Money and Fair Elections Act.

Even better, hand-write a letter to each of them!

To get this bill out of the Senate Appropriations Committee, these state senators need to know that the voters demand this sweeping reform, so *your letters are crucial*. Let's flood them with letters!

Letters to key senators supporting AB 583

Senator Don Perata
State Capitol, Room 205
Sacramento, CA 95814-4905
Phone: (916) 651-4009 or (510) 286-1333
Fax: (916) 327-1997

Senator Tom Torlakson
State Capitol, Room 5050
Sacramento, CA 95814-4905
Phone: (916) 651-4007 or (925) 602-6593
Fax: (916) 445-2527

Thank you for supporting A.B. 583. It is such a great opportunity to reform elections and rebuild voters confidence in Sacramento.

You can counter the perception that politicians can't be trusted. You can show that you are a good person caught in a bad system - the way campaigns are currently financed in California - by trying to fix that system.

With Clean Money, candidates can spend their time talking to the voters rather than donors. They can focus on issues and the true needs of their constituents, not fundraising. Politics would be about ideas instead of money.

California has the opportunity to take a leading role in cleaning up America's political system by enacting Clean Money legislation. Please do everything in your power to make sure we take that role.

Thank you for all your good votes!

Sincerely,
[name]
[address]

Letters asking for support of AB 583

Senator Joe Simitian
State Capitol, Room 4062
Sacramento, CA 95814
Phone: (916) 651-4011 or (650) 688-6384
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Senator Elaine Alquist
State Capitol, Room 5080
Sacramento, CA 95814
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I very much want Clean Money and Fair Elections in California. Ending the dominance of private money in campaigns would restore the public's faith in our democracy.

Over 80% of the Maine legislature was elected without having to do any private fundraising, along with nine out of eleven of Arizona's statewide officeholders. No wonder both voters and legislators in those states love their Clean Money systems.

Incumbents in Arizona and Maine who ran as Clean Money candidates found that public financing allowed them to stop 'dialing for dollars' and fund-raising all the time.

I look forward to your comments and support. Thank you for all your good votes!

Sincerely,
[name]
[address]