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Aloha Commission To Improve Standards Of Conduct (CISC),

I'm a retired Hawai'i Deputy Attorney General and write asking the CISC to support the following five recommendations:

- *The full public funding for all State and County elections in Hawaii.
- *Banning the solicitation or acceptance of campaign donations during the legislative session.
- *Reducing the cap on campaign donations from from \$6,000, \$4,000 and \$2,000 to \$100, \$100, and \$100. Montana caps their maximum donation for state legislative races at \$180 per election.
- *Banning contributions from corporations and unions as 21 other states now do.
- *Limit candidate campaign war chests. This is done in Alaska where candidates can only carry forward a small portion of their campaign account from one election to the next. This law was upheld by the Alaska Supreme Court which noted that when a candidate who is unopposed raises money and squirrels it away for a future election, they are effectively circumventing donation limits for that future election.

Thank you,

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