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In light of all the public officials accepting bribes and big money campaign donors who are under indictment, we desperately need reform now. I urge the support of full public funding for all State and County elections in Hawaii. In addition:  
A ban of solicitation or acceptance of campaign donations during the legislative session  
We must reduce the cap on campaign donations from \$ 6,000, \$4,000 and \$ 2,000 to \$ 100 , \$ 100 , \$ 100 and \$ 100. The state of Montana caps their max donation for state legislative races at \$ 180 per election.  
We need to ban contributions from corporations and unions as 21 other states now do  
Limit candidate campaign war chest. A law in Alaska where candidates can only carry forward a small portion of their campaign account from one election to the next.  
We desperately need to ban big money special interests and replace it with public funds to be used to elect public servants beholden only to the public.  
The Commission should improve standards of conduct and is in a position to greatly influence the future of democracy in Hawaii.  
Thank you,  
Ann Pitcaithley