# THE AMERICAN ANTI-CORRUPTION ACT

## <u>Summary of Provisions</u>

#### STOP POLITICAL BRIBERY

From lucrative job offers to campaign contributions, there are plenty of legal ways for special interests to bribe politicians. Exchanging money for political influence is corrupt and should be illegal.

## Make it illegal for politicians to take money from lobbyists.

People who get paid to influence politicians can either lobby or donate – but they can't do both.

#### **Ban lobbyist bundling.** Prohibit lobbyists from aggregating other people's contributions and delivering them to political

campaigns. Close the revolving door. Stop elected representatives and senior staff from selling off their government power for high-paying lobbying jobs. Prohibit them from negotiating jobs while in office, and bar them from all lobbying activity for several years once they leave.



Secret money groups funnel hundreds of millions of dollars into American elections without ever disclosing their donors. Voters deserve to know who is buying political power.

## Immediately disclose political money online.

No more outdated disclosure laws: all significant political fundraising and spending is immediately disclosed online and made easily available to the public.

## Stop donors from hiding behind secret-money groups.

Require any organization that spends meaningful funds on political advertisements to file a timely online report disclosing its major donors.

#### Crack down on super PACs.

Enforce the Supreme Court's mandate that super PACs must be independent from candidates by fixing the rules aimed at preventing coordination.

### **ENFORCE THE RULES**

Existing anti-corruption laws are weak and outdated, and agencies routinely fail to penalize rulebreakers. Stronger enforcement will stop lobbyists and super PACs from evading the law.

**Eliminate lobbyist loopholes.** Prevent lobbyists from skirting the rules by strengthening the definition of lobbying and penalizing lobbyists who fail to register.

**Strengthen anti-corruption enforcement** by fixing the broken Federal Election Commission and giving prosecutors the tools they need to combat corruption.

#### FIX OUR BROKEN ELECTIONS

Politicians prioritize big donors to get elected and redraw their districts to stay in office. By changing how our elections work, we can put power back in the hands of the people.

#### End gerrymandering

Create independent redistricting commissions that follow strict guidelines to ensure accurate representation for all voters.

#### Change how elections are

**funded.** Offer every voter a small credit they can use to make a political donation with no out-of-pocket expense.

## Let all voters participate in open primaries.

Make all political candidates run in an open primary controlled by the voters, not the political establishment.

#### Let voters rank their top can-

**didates.** Allow voters to support their top choice without fear of inadvertently helping elect the other party's candidate.



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