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We do not have good government that represents us. Our elected representatives and members of government get elected more based on who raises the most money for their election campaigns than anything else. You and we all know this.

So a few people or organizations or one can dominate the funding of election campaigns, thereby who is elected, and thereby what the elected politician will do.

This violates our values and intentions, our rights to together determine what our government does.

The Oregon Supreme Court's finding that campaign spending could not be regulated violates our rights. It is the responsibility of the Legislature to correct this attack on our community governance. Immediately! You have been completely irresponsible in not correcting this or bringing the issue to the voters.

You delayed, so we had to work hard to get a measure from the people on the ballot, and the voters told you overwhelmingly to stop large election campaign donations when they passed Measure 107. You should have fixed this as soon as the Supreme Court blocked financing control.

Do it now!

Pass HB 3343 and amend HB 2680 so that it also is completely helpful.

Make campaign financing completely transparent - everyone can see who spent how much doing what to affect our elections.

NO LOOPHOLES! No exceptions, no ways to influence without being detected !!!