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Members of the Committee,

My name is Jeff Lang. I'm the founder and former CEO of Gales Creek Insurance, a longtime Oregonian, business leader, philanthropist, and campaign donor.

I myself, can and have made large contributions to Oregon candidates, and seen how this buys access. When my family couldn't stomach this ethical dilemma and stopped donations for a time, the direct phone calls from elected officials stopped.



"A very special interest to see you, Senator."

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You might think I would support a system that gives me access. But I don't. And I hope you don't either – even if the current system sometimes works to your advantage.

It's time that we do the right thing, that we reform our campaign finance system so that money no longer drives our politics. That takes political courage. It means working with good government reformers rather than trying to broker a deal with the biggest spenders.

I urge you to scrap this proposal and work with campaign finance reformers to pass real reform.

Thank you,
Jeff Lang