



Comment to the State Board of Elections on Proposed Regulations For Public Campaign Finance Program, Part 6221

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Reinvent Albany endorses the comments submitted by the Brennan Center for Justice in response to the draft regulations for the public campaign finance program, Part 6221. Adopting the Brennan Center's recommendations will provide more clarity and flexibility for candidates navigating the new public campaign system.

Specifically, we endorse the Brennan Center's proposals for the following items:

- Registration Forms
- Certification and Party Support
- Breach of Certification
- Eligibility and Excess Contributions
- Qualification Thresholds in Low-income Districts
- Disclosure of Small Donors and Expenditures
- Preliminary Statement Review
- Competitive Opponent
- Audit Lottery

We strongly believe that public campaign finance reduces the risk of corruption and helps candidates fundraise without having to appeal to special interests. A successful New York State public campaign finance program will give small donors a voice and encourage more candidates to run for office.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit comments. Please contact Tom Speaker, Policy Analyst, at tom@reinventalbany.org if you have any questions.