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Illinois Leaders Back Campaign Finance Reform

Illinois Senate President John Cullerton

"Today I'm proud to say that we have a better public policy that will institute historic contribution caps, stronger disclosure rules, and better enforcement policies. I would like to commend the reform groups that worked with the legislature to enact this landmark law."

Illinois House Speaker Michael J. Madigan, Bill Sponsor

"Reform takes many directions. This legislation is part of a series of significant steps that will help restore public confidence in Illinois government."

State Senator Don Harmon (D-Oak Park), Bill Sponsor

"This year legislators and reform advocates worked together to usher in significant reforms to Illinois politics. While insiders and special interests attempted to block campaign finance reform, those who genuinely wanted to overhaul the elections process worked towards a solution which provides historic contribution caps, real disclosure requirements and strict enforcement measures."

George Ranney, CHANGE Illinois; Chicago Metropolis 2020

"When Governor Quinn vetoed a badly flawed limits bill this summer, we stood at his side and pledged to work with him and legislators on a bill that would represent meaningful reform. This bill is a marked improvement and an historic step forward. Although we're not at the end of the road to reform, we are moving forward."

Sheila Simon, Southern Illinois University School of Law, Illinois Reform Commission

"While the legislation is far from perfect, it's a significant step in the right direction. It moves Illinois out of the embarrassing category of states that have no limits on campaign contributions."

Cynthia Canary, Illinois Campaign for Political Reform

"The Illinois Campaign for Political Reform thinks that this is a great first step, and we are particularly pleased that a task force will be established to provide a roadmap for further good government reforms."

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