

To: Interested Parties

From: Jonathan Wayne, Executive Director

Date: May 9, 2024

Re: Invitation to Comment – Report on Proposals to Amend the United States Constitution regarding Regulation of Campaign Finance Activity

A successful 2023 citizen initiative directed the Maine Ethics Commission to issue an annual report on proposals in the United States Congress regarding campaign finance regulation. Specifically, the report will focus on proposed constitutional amendments that would reaffirm the power of citizens through their government to regulate the raising and spending of money in elections. Examples of relevant proposals would include <u>House</u> Joint Resolution 13 and <u>Senate Joint Resolution 45</u> of the 118th Congress.

As directed by the initiative, the Commission expects the report will discuss recent proposals in the Congress and whether members of Maine's delegation have cosponsored the proposals. Preliminarily, the Commission does not expect to make any policy recommendations for or against the proposed amendments.

You are invited to comment on this topic by submitting written comments to the Commission no later than June 7, 2024 by emailing them to <u>Julie.Aube@maine.gov</u>. Your comments will be included in the Commission's report. Thank you.