

March 14, 2024

Chairman Miadich and Commissioners Wilson, Wood, Baker and Ortiz Fair Political Practices Commission 1102 Q Street, Suite 3050 Sacramento, CA 95811

RE: Item 10 – Proposed Amendments to Regulations 1851.2 and Regulation 18537.1

Dear Chairman Miadich and Commissioners:

This letter is a follow up to our October 20, 2023 comment letter wherein we expressed serious concerns about the Commission's proposal to change its interpretation of the candidate transfer rules. The Commission's proposed regulations change the agency's longstanding interpretation of the statutes governing candidate transfers – changes that are particularly disruptive during an election year and likely violate candidates' constitutionally protected rights.

We write to inform the Commission that we are jointly authoring SB 948 (Limón and Zbur) because we believe these issues are more appropriately resolved through the legislative process. For this reason, we ask that the Commission suspend its efforts to amend Regulations 18531.2 and 18537.1 while the Legislature considers these important issues.

Sincerely,

Senator Monique Limón, Chair Senate Democratic Caucus

Assembly Member Rick Chavez Zbur, Chair Assembly Democratic Caucus