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The Honorable Marc Levine  
California State Assembly  
State Capitol, Room 5135  
Sacramento, CA 95811

**RE: Assembly Bill 903 (Levine) – Political Reform Act, as amended March 28, 2019 –  
SPONSOR**

Dear Assembly Member Levine,

On behalf of the Fair Political Practices Commission, we are pleased to sponsor Assembly Bill 903. AB 903 will make clear that state and local government agencies may not use an exception within the definition of “expenditure” to spend money advocating for the support or opposition to a candidate or ballot measure. The bill also clarifies when pre-election reports are to be filed to ensure the public receives essential campaign finance information prior to voting. Lastly, the bill will ensure the proper address for an official’s source of income is listed on their Statement of Economic Interests so the public has accurate information about an official’s potential conflicts of interest.

AB 903 is important legislation that will clarify in law what the disclosure responsibilities are for political committees and government officials. The public is entitled to essential campaign and ethical information under the Political Reform Act so voters can be fully informed when holding candidates and officials accountable. Our laws must be clear to ensure proper compliance and to meet the voters’ intent under the Political Reform Act of 1974.

Thank you for your leadership and commitment to transparency and accountability and we look forward to working with you this legislative session.

For these reasons, the FPPC is proud to sponsor AB 903. If you have any questions, please contact Phillip Ung at (916) 322-7635 or [pung@fppc.ca.gov](mailto:pung@fppc.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

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