



# California Fair Political Practices Commission

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Re: Your Letter Dated May 23, 1994  
Our File No. G-94-174

Dear <sup>Harvey</sup> ~~Mr. Tsuboi~~:

This is in response to your letter to me dated May 23, 1994. Your letter expresses a need for an amendment to Government Code Section 89519(e), which prohibits candidates from using surplus campaign funds to support their own future candidacy or to support other state or local candidates. As you point out, since the courts have invalidated Proposition 73's ban against the transfers of campaign funds, there seems to be little need for the restriction in Section 89519(e).

Without commenting on the validity of Section 89519(e), I can tell you that the Commission began attempts to have this section amended earlier in this legislative session. However, when Senate Bill 588, which has a partial transfer ban, passed the Senate and moved to the Assembly, we ceased activity on this amendment until we could determine the final outcome of the bill. At this time, Senate Bill 588 is pending before the Assembly Elections Committee.

Thank you for your suggestion. Hopefully, we will soon be able to determine our next course of action in regards to Section 89519(e).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Steve Churchwell".

Steven G. Churchwell  
General Counsel

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