

**Submission
No 19**

INQUIRY INTO ELECTORAL AND POLITICAL PARTY FUNDING

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I would like to make a submission in to the Funding Enquiry.

- The interests of the entire community should be weighted equally but are influenced by political donations. As with all business, process and policy affects behaviours. Recommendation - donation cap and limitations on some relevant sources.
- Donor-funded advertising distorts the election process as voters are influenced by the advertising quality and quantity afforded rather than policy. Recommendation: Prohibit donor funded advertising and increase public funded. Potentially limit advertising to factual statements about past performance compared with past promises and future policies.

Regards
Belinda Stewart