WHAT IS Citizens Clean Elections Commission?

Established by voters in 1998 to restore participation and confidence in our political system, Citizens Clean Elections Commission is a non-partisan organization that provides voter education, funding for candidates and campaign finance enforcement.

Voter Education
Clean Elections provides voters with educational tools such as a website with election information, a voter dashboard with specific district information, a Voter Education Guide mailed to households with registered voters and candidate debates throughout the state.

Public Financing
Qualified statewide and legislative candidates can receive optional public funding if they meet certain criteria, including agreeing not to accept contributions from PACs and corporations and collecting a certain number of $5 contributions.

Campaign Finance Enforcement
Clean Elections has the authority to assess civil penalties on both candidates participating in the Clean Elections Fund and candidates using traditional financing.
WHAT IS A Clean Candidate?

A Clean Candidate is someone running for office who does not accept contributions from special interest groups and high-dollar donors. These candidates are allowed to receive funding from the Citizens Clean Elections Fund if they raise a minimum number of qualifying contributions in their district and agree to the Act and Commission rules.

How is Clean Elections funded?
Money for the Citizens Clean Elections Fund comes from a 10% surcharge on all civil penalties and criminal fines, civil penalties paid by candidates and $5 qualifying contributions collected from participating candidates.

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