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WASHINGTON - June 29, 1979 - An interim study of 1977-78 U.S. Senate and House campaigns is being released today by the Federal Election Commission showing that 1909 Congressional campaigns raised \$199.4 million and spent \$194.8 million. (Note: These figures have been adjusted to eliminate transfers of funds within a campaign.) The study contains detailed information on the financing of all U.S. Senate and House candidates who were registered with the FEC during 1977 and 1978, and who were on primary, general, run-off, convention/caucus and special election ballots. Also included are listings of receipts and expenditures, by party, for all Senate and House races within each state.

Highlights of the study show that:

- * There were 1909 campaigns for U.S. Senate and House seats during 1977 and 1978 (primary, general, run-off, convention/caucus and special elections).
- * These 1909 campaigns raised \$199.4 million and spent \$194.8 million. (Adjusted)
- * 254 Senate candidates received \$85.5 million and spent \$85.2 million.
- * 1655 House candidates received \$113.9 million and spent \$109.6 million.
- * 999 Democrat candidates raised \$106.3 million and spent \$103.3 million.
- * 694 Republican candidates raised \$91.7 million and spent \$90.2 million.
- * 216 Minor party and independents received \$1.4 million and spent \$1.3 million.
- * 414 Incumbents received \$76.6 million and spent \$73.3 million.
- * 971 Challengers received \$62.2 million and spent \$61.9 million.
- * 524 Open-seat candidates accounted for \$60.6 million in receipts and \$59.6 million in disbursements.

The computerized information has been compiled from financial reports filed with the FEC by federal candidates and their committees. Figures include activity covering January 1, 1977, through December 31, 1978. Amended reports received by the Commission by March 16, 1979, were also included.

The study provides the following: gross receipt and disbursement figures; gross receipts and disbursements minus transfers of funds within a campaign; latest cash-on-hand; levels of contributions received from individuals; contributions from national, state and local major party committees; expenditures made by national and state major parties in connection with general election campaigns; and contributions received from political committees (or "PAC's"). Information concerning loans, candidate contributions and debts is not yet available. This information will be included in the final study, to be released at the end of 1979.

Figures concerning totals and contributions from individuals were taken from candidate and candidate committee reports. Details on contributions from "PAC's" and party-related committees were taken from non-party and party-related reports, as were major party general election expenditures. Independent expenditures made by "PAC's" and individuals are not included.

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Summary information is provided separately in the study for Senate and House campaigns. Subtotals then detail additional information based on party affiliation and incumbent/challenger/open-seat status.

Attached to this release are 2 charts. The first provides summary information for all 1909 candidates involved in 1977-78 activity. The second chart shows summary information for only those 1079 candidates who were on the November 1978 general election ballot, (but also includes their primary activity.)

This release updates earlier figures from September and November 1978, and January 1979. The entire study, containing details on specific campaigns, may be purchased for \$5.00 from the Public Records Office, Federal Election Commission, 1325 K St., NW, Washington, D.C. 20463. Telephone: (202) 523-4181 or Toll Free: (800) 424-9530.

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1977-78 SENATE & HOUSE CAMPAIGNS
(Figures in millions of dollars... "-" indicates less than \$1,000)

ALL 1977-78 CANDIDATES
(Primary, run-off, convention/caucus special and general)

CANDIDATE CATEGORY	ADJUSTED RECEIPTS	ADJUSTED DISBURSEMENTS	LATEST CASH ON HAND	INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS \$101-\$499	INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS \$500 & OVER	MAJOR PARTY CONTRIBUTIONS	MAJOR PARTY EXPENDITURES	NON-PARTY PAC CONTRIBUTIONS	CORPORATIONS	LABOR ORGANIZATIONS	NO-CONNECTED ORGANIZATIONS	TRADE/SHIP/HEALTH MEMBER-SHIP	COOPERATIVES	CORPORATIONS WITHOUT STOCK
TOTAL: SENATE & HOUSE (1909)	199.4	194.8	11.2	19.6	32.9	6.2	4.4	34.1	9.5	9.9	2.5	11.2	.9	.1
Senate Subtotal (254)	85.5	85.2	1.6	8.5	18.3	1.2	3.0	9.7	3.5	2.7	.7	2.6	.2	.02
Democrat (132)	42.6	42.1	.8	4.3	10.5	.5	.2	4.5	.9	2.4	.2	.9	.1	.008
Republican (80)	42.4	42.6	.8	4.2	7.7	.7	2.8	5.2	2.6	.3	.5	1.7	.09	.01
Other (42)	.5	.5	.01	.03	.08	0	0	.003	-	0	.002	0	0	0
House Subtotal (1655)	113.9	109.6	9.6	11.1	14.6	5.0	1.4	24.4	6.0	7.2	1.8	8.6	.7	.09
Democrat (867)	63.7	61.3	5.3	6.4	8.8	1.3	.09	14.4	2.6	7.0	.4	3.9	.5	.07
Republican (614)	49.4	47.5	4.3	4.7	5.8	3.7	1.3	10.0	3.4	.2	1.4	4.7	.2	.02
Other (174)	.8	.8	.02	.03	.04	0	0	.01	-	.007	-	.006	0	-
Democrat (999)	106.3	103.3	6.1	10.7	19.3	1.8	.3	18.9	3.5	9.3	.6	4.8	.61	.08
Republican (694)	91.7	90.2	5.1	8.8	13.5	4.4	4.1	15.2	6.0	.6	1.9	6.4	.24	.04
Other (216)	1.4	1.3	.03	.06	.1	0	0	.02	-	.007	.003	.006	0	-
Incumbent (414)	76.6	73.3	9.3	8.6	11.5	2.3	1.5	19.23	5.54	5.8	.7	6.5	.6	.07
Challenger (971)	62.2	61.9	.8	5.2	10.5	2.2	1.8	7.55	2.03	2.1	1.1	2.2	.06	.02
Open (524)	60.6	59.6	1.1	5.8	10.9	1.7	1.1	7.34	1.93	2.0	.7	2.5	.2	.03

SENATE HOUSE AFFILIATION
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NOVEMBER 1978 GENERAL ELECTION CANDIDATES ONLY
(Primary and General Act: vltv)

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CANDIDATE CATEGORY	ADJUSTED RECEIPTS	ADJUSTED DISBURSEMENTS	LATEST CASH ON HAND	INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS \$101-\$499	INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS \$500 & OVER	MAJOR PARTY CONTRIBUTIONS	MAJOR PARTY EXPENDITURES	NON-PARTY PAC CONTRIBUTIONS	CORPORATIONS	LABOR ORGANIZATIONS	NO-CORRELATED ORGANIZATIONS	TRADE/MEMBER-SHIP/HEALTH	COOPERATIVES	CORPORATIONS WITHOUT STOCK
TOTAL: SENATE & HOUSE (1079)	158.2	153.5	10.6	16.3	25.9	6.1	4.3	31.8	9.1	8.9	2.3	10.6	.8	.1
Senate Sub-Total (111)	66.0	65.5	1.4	7.0	14.5	1.2	2.9	8.9	3.3	2.3	.6	2.5	.2	.02
Democrat (37)	27.6	27.0	.7	3.2	7.5	.5	.2	3.9	.8	2.0	.2	.84	.09	.006
Republican (33)	37.9	38.0	.7	3.8	6.9	.7	2.7	5.0	2.5	.3	.4	1.64	.09	.02
Other (41)	.5	.5	.01	.03	.08	0	0	.003	-	0	.002	0	0	0
House Sub-Total (968)	92.2	88.0	9.2	9.3	11.4	4.9	1.4	22.9	5.8	6.6	1.7	8.1	.6	.09
Democrat (426)	48.6	46.2	5.1	5.1	6.3	1.3	.07	13.2	2.4	6.3	.4	3.6	.5	.06
Republican (384)	42.9	41.1	4.1	4.2	5.1	3.6	1.3	9.7	3.4	.3	1.3	4.5	.1	.03
Other (158)	.7	.7	.01	.03	.04	0	0	.01	-	.006	-	.006	0	-
Democrat (463)	76.2	73.2	5.7	8.2	13.8	1.8	.3	17.1	3.1	8.34	.525	4.4	.6	.07
Republican (417)	80.8	79.1	4.9	8.0	12.0	4.3	4.0	14.7	6.0	.52	1.725	6.2	.2	.04
Other (199)	1.2	1.2	.03	.06	.1	0	0	.02	-	.006	.003	.006	0	-
Incumbent (401)	75.0	71.7	9.2	8.4	11.1	2.3	1.5	18.8	5.4	5.6	.69	6.4	.6	.07
Challenger (517)	46.2	45.7	.6	4.1	8.1	2.2	1.8	7.0	2.0	1.9	1.02	2.1	.06	.01
Open Seat (161)	37.0	36.1	.8	3.8	6.7	1.6	1.0	6.0	1.7	1.4	.54	2.1	.1	.03

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