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SECRETARY MERRILL ON JOINT FAVORABLE REPORT ON CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM

HARTFORD: Secretary of the State Denise W. Merrill applauded the General Assembly's Government Administration and Elections Committee's approval of campaign finance reform.

Secretary Merrill said, "When the law shields political action committees and other special interests from public view, it is hard to blame the average voter for feeling that they are not playing by the same sets of rules. On this count, I really do believe that sunshine is the best disinfectant. Whatever we can do to make our political process more transparent is a good thing. I applaud the Government Administration and Elections Committee for taking action on this important bill."