

PAT HARRIS

VS

DIANNE FEINSTEIN

HEALTHCARE

I strongly support a single-payer healthcare system so that everyone in this country has access to healthcare. Single payer healthcare is not a government takeover and it is a scare tactic to say that it is. A single payer healthcare system actually takes healthcare away from the insurance companies and puts it in the hands of the doctors and patients where it belongs. Not only will it save money, it will save lives.

She opposes a single payer healthcare system and was quoted as saying that it is “a government takeover.” She has refused to sign on to S. 1804, the bill that would provide for a single-payer system in the U.S. which was signed by the other senator from California, Kamala Harris. She has also taken large donations from the insurance companies and pharmaceutical companies that benefit most directly from our current healthcare system.

CORPORATE \$\$

From the beginning of the campaign, I have repeatedly stated I will not accept any corporate donations and I have kept to that pledge. I strongly believe that the current “pay-to-play” system in Washington is the biggest problem in passing legislation that would help the working class. We have to get corporate money out of politics.

Throughout her lengthy career, she has accepted corporate donations from virtually every large Wall Street corporation, including Big Oil, Big Pharma and the insurance industry. Despite having personal wealth of almost ¾ billion dollars, she has refused to self fund her campaigns and instead has relied on corporations whose policies are directly in conflict with working Californians.

DEFENSE BUDGET

The defense department has been a sacred cow for too long. They are by far the most wasteful agency in the U.S. Government. Their own study indicated they had wasted over \$125 billion over the past five years just in administrative costs. Imagine what that money could have done if used for medical research or science and technology.

The Senator has been one of the biggest proponents of large yearly increases in the defense budget throughout her time in Congress. This past year she voted for a \$700 billion dollar defense department budget which was even \$50 billion more than Donald Trump asked for. In times of peace, she has consistently pushed for increases in defense spending.

CANNABIS

I have always been a proponent of Proposition 64 and the legalization of cannabis. As has been seen in Colorado and Washington, it is an excellent source of revenue that can provide much needed funding for education and infrastructure.

Feinstein has consistently opposed the legalization of cannabis including formally opposing Proposition 64, the ballot measure passed in California to legalize recreational cannabis for adults. In the past she has spoken out about increasing law enforcement resources to go after cannabis users.



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CORPORATE FREE

We must get corporate money out of politics, with the following three point plan:

Public Financing: We need public financing of elections to stop corporations and PAC's from buying politicians. Citizens shouldn't have to compete with billion dollar candidates.

Overturn Citizens United: We must file suits against all aspects of Citizens United in district and federal courts and begin chipping away at the validity of this law.

Constitutional Amendment: The fight for a constitutional amendment to ban corporate donations is important, and will give the public an understanding of the importance of the issue.



RENEWABLE ENERGY

There's no issue more urgent to protecting human health than protecting our environment. Renewable energy is safer, cleaner, and more affordable than fossil fuels. We can show leadership and address the following:

Renewables: Set and meet more urgent targets for 100% renewable energy by 2035.

Jobs: Create job opportunities for displaced workers in emerging renewable technologies.

No Fracking: Ban the use of hydraulic fracturing completely.

Land: Empower farmers with healthy soil incentives.



JUSTICE REFORM

We must end mass incarceration and focus on rehabilitation, not punishment. And we must affirm that Black Lives Matter and end racial bias in our justice system.

Bail Reform: Bail amount shouldn't be based on your ability to pay.

Ending Private Prisons For Profit: Private prisons make money from prisoners, and treat them inhumanely. It's time for America to eliminate private prisons for profit.

Training Police: De-escalation training is less than 10% of a police officer's curriculum, while weapons training is more than 50%. This needs to be reversed.



INCOME EQUALITY

Unemployment rates have come down dramatically in the past few years, but many people in this country still struggle to make ends meet. We are watching the rich get richer with the top one-tenth of 1% of Americans owning almost as much wealth as the bottom 90%. In order to address this, I propose the following 4 point plan:

- 1) Increase the Federal Minimum Wage to \$15
- 2) Retrain the Workforce for 21st Century Jobs
- 3) Raise Taxes on Corporations
- 4) Protect Unions



MEDICARE FOR ALL

I believe healthcare is a right, not a privilege. I believe we can raise the necessary money to pay for a single-payer system in the United States through taxing financial transactions; a 1% transaction fee of sales of all stocks and 0.5% fee on the sale of all bonds. I strongly support a single-payer, preventative healthcare system, that provides every single American access to quality health care, no matter their income bracket, preexisting conditions or location. We can do this by first getting rid of the middle man – the insurance and pharmaceutical companies. We also need to move toward a preventative healthcare model.



CANNABIS LEGALIZATION

The next great battleground over the legalization of cannabis is going to be the U.S. Congress. This issue can improve medicine, economic growth, and criminal justice reform all at once. California needs a United States Senator who not only understands the importance of fighting the Justice Department but someone who has spent an entire career doing it. As a lifelong civil rights and criminal defense attorney who has taken on corporations from Pfizer to Wells Fargo to Bank of America, I pledge to also take on the Department of Justice in court when elected Senator.



IMMIGRATION

No human being is illegal. As Senator, I will take a leadership role in championing legislation to legalize the DACA program permanently and will work with Republicans on the other side of the aisle to come up with fair and swift bipartisan legislation to continue the DACA program and to provide a pathway for permanent citizenship for the 800,000 Dreamers in the current program.



TUITION-FREE EDUCATION

We need to provide tuition-free and debt-free college for every student. The government must buy back existing private student loans and drop interest rates to 1% or less. Students should be able to pay back their loans through public service. We need to quit scapegoating teachers as the problem in our educational system and start providing them with the resources to help students excel.

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