

NV TV Spot: "Cash Mountain"

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[Political Nonprofits \(Dark Money\), Center for Responsive Politics](#)

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And Heck voted to keep the piles of secret money coming.

Heck voted twice to block the DISCLOSE Act

[H RES 732, Vote #196, 5/17/16](#)

Heck (NV: Aye)

[Previous Questions, 114th Congress, Office of Leader Nancy Pelosi](#)

The Democratic Previous Question requires Congress to vote on H.R. 430, the DISCLOSE Act, which would bring desperately needed transparency to the tidal wave of secret money unleashed by the Supreme Court's wildly destructive Citizen's United decision, requiring corporate CEOs to stand by their ads in the same way candidates do; and compelling corporations and outside groups to disclose their campaign spending to shareholders, members, and the public.

[H RES 744, Vote #239, 5/25/16](#)

Heck (NV: Aye)

[Previous Questions, 114th Congress, Office of Leader Nancy Pelosi](#)

Democrats' PQ would force a vote on: The Opioid Abuse Crisis Act, which provides \$600 million in fully paid-for vital new resources to address the opioid epidemic that kills 78 Americans every day; and The DISCLOSE Act,

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which would bring desperately needed transparency to the enormous amounts of special interest secret money unleashed by the Supreme Court's wildly destructive Citizens United decision.

The DISCLOSE Act would require dark money groups to disclose donors

["Summary of DISCLOSE Act." Democracy 21, 1/21/15](#)

The DISCLOSE Act would close the loopholes that have allowed dark money to flood into our elections. The Act requires groups that spend a total of \$10,000 or more on campaign-related expenditures to file a disclosure report with the FEC within 24 hours and to file a new report each time they spend an additional \$10,000 or more.

The reports must list the names of donors and amounts given of \$10,000 or more to the organization. The spending group, however, has the alternative of setting up a separate bank account to make all of its campaign-related expenditures and only disclosing donors of \$10,000 or more to that account. In these circumstances, the organization must make all of its campaign expenditures from the separate bank account.

5.3 million: From secret sources, corporations, and the billionaire Koch Brothers.

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All Cycles Cumulative

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Americans for Prosperity has run ads supporting Heck

"House Dems targeted on Obamacare." Politico, 11/7/13

Americans for Prosperity is also running ads thanking two endangered House Republicans, Michigan Rep. Dan Benishek and Nevada Rep. Joe Heck, for their opposition to Obamacare. The group is spending \$1.7 million to air

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	<p>the four spots.</p> <p>Americans for Prosperity is “the Koch brothers’ main political arm”</p> <p>“Koch brothers plan \$125M spree.” Politico, 5/9/14</p> <p>The Koch brothers’ main political arm intends to spend more than \$125 million this year on an aggressive ground, air and data operation benefiting conservatives, according to a memo distributed to major donors and sources familiar with the group.</p> <p>The projected budget for Americans for Prosperity would be unprecedented for a private political group in a midterm, and would likely rival even the spending of the Republican and Democratic parties’ congressional campaign arms.</p> <p>Freedom Partners Action Fund has spent nearly \$3 million supporting Heck</p> <p>Outside Spending – Nevada Senate, 2016 Cycle, Center for Responsive Politics</p> <p>Freedom Partners Action Fund - \$2,812,868</p> <p>Freedom Partners has taken millions of dollars from corporations</p> <p>Freedom Partners Action Fund – Top Donors, 2016 Cycle, Center for Responsive Politics</p> <p>Koch Industries - \$6,000,000 Hendricks Holding Co. - \$4,000,000 Citadel LLC - \$2,000,000 Cumberland Development - \$2,000,000 Mountaire Corp. - \$2,000,000 Western Refining - \$1,000,000</p>
<p>GFX “Burst of ‘Dark Money’ to boost Heck” -Las Vegas Review-Journal, 10.22.15</p>	<p>“Burst of ‘dark money’ to boost Heck on TV, radio.” Las Vegas Review-Journal, 10/22/15</p> <p>U.S. Senate candidate and Rep. Joe Heck is getting a big boost from One Nation, a nonprofit group with ties to Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky.</p> <p>One Nation has launched a \$792,000 ad buy that will run on Las Vegas TV and radio stations. The 30-second clip will run for 20 days, the group said in a press release Thursday.</p>
<p>Heck’s votes even open the door for foreign corporations to meddle in our elections.</p>	<p>Heck voted for a bill to hide the identities of donors even from federal regulators</p> <p>HR 5053, Vote #303, 6/14/16</p> <p>Heck (NV): Aye</p> <p>Tax-Exempt Organization Donors – Passage, House Vote #303, Congressional</p>

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“open the door wide for secret, unaccountable money from foreign governments, foreign corporations”
– Sunlight Foundation

Quarterly, 6/14/16

Passage of the bill that would prohibit the Treasury Department from requiring 501(c) tax-exempt organizations to submit names, addresses, or other identifying information of contributors as part of their annual returns. The measure would retain disclosure requirements for contributions made by an officer or director of the tax-exempt group and employees who are among the five highest paid in the organization.

“House votes to protect 'dark money' political donors.” Reuters, 6/14/16

The Republican-controlled U.S. House of Representatives voted on Tuesday to protect the identities of wealthy individuals and others who make anonymous, or "dark money," donations to politically active nonprofit groups.

The measure, which drew lobbying support from billionaire industrialists Charles and David Koch, was approved in a 240-180 vote along party lines. It would prohibit the Internal Revenue Service from collecting the names and addresses of donors who contribute \$5,000 or more to 501(c) organizations, a name that refers to the tax code section that covers them.

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Although the measure would apply to all 501(c) tax-exempt groups, such as universities, hospitals and charities, politically active nonprofits are the intended beneficiaries.

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Democrats argued that the legislation could make it easier for foreign entities to finance political campaigns inside the United States.

Charity regulators have also warned that the loss of donor information would make it harder to protect the public against charity fraud. The change would reduce available information on a range of organizations, IRS data shows.

Heck also voted against an effort to prevent the measure from applying to political groups

Motion to Recommit HR 5053, Vote #302, 6/14/16

Heck (NV): Nay

Tax-Exempt Organization Donors - Recommit , House Vote #302, Congressional Quarterly, 6/14/16,

Sarbanes, D-Md., motion to recommit the bill to the House Ways and Means Committee with instructions to report it back immediately with an amendment that would modify the measure to not apply to organizations that directly or indirectly participate or intervene in political campaigns related to candidates for public office.

The Sunlight Foundation and other groups declared that the bill would “open the

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	<p>door wide for secret, unaccountable money from foreign governments, foreign corporations”</p> <p>Letter to House Ways and Means Committee Members, Democracy 21, 4/27/16</p> <p>Our organizations strongly urge you as a member of the Ways and Means Committee to vote against Rep. Peter Roskam’s bill to eliminate the current requirement for 501(c) groups to make non-public disclosure of their donors to the IRS. The bill is scheduled to be marked up by the committee on Thursday.</p> <p>Our organizations include: Brennan Center for Justice, Campaign Legal Center, Common Cause, CREW, Democracy 21, Public Citizen, Sunlight Foundation and The Rootstrickers project at Demand Progress.</p> <p>Eliminating the existing requirement for disclosure to the IRS of donations to 501(c)(4) “social welfare” groups would open the door wide for secret, unaccountable money from foreign governments, foreign corporations and foreign individuals to be illegally laundered into federal elections through 501(c)(4) groups.</p>
<p>Joe Heck. Part of the problem in Washington. Making it worse for Nevada.</p> <p>GFX Joe Heck. Part of the problem.</p>	<p>In Washington, Joe Heck has supported policies that are harmful for Nevadans, including:</p> <p>Voting to protect billions in tax breaks for big oil companies</p> <p>Van Hollen Substitute Amendment to H. Con. Res. 112, Vote #150, 3/29/12 Heck: No</p> <p>Fiscal 2013 Budget Resolution - Democratic Substitute, House Vote #150, 3/29/12, Congressional Quarterly</p> <p>“The Democratic Budget Resolution for Fiscal Year 2013.” 3/28/12</p> <p>The Democratic resolution ends tax subsidies for the major integrated oil and gas companies – the five largest oil companies together earned more than \$1 trillion in profits during the last decade and don’t need these tax breaks.</p> <p>“Senate rejects Obama call to end Big Oil tax breaks.” Reuters, 3/29/12</p> <p>Republicans in the Senate blocked legislation on Thursday to strip billions of dollars in tax breaks for the biggest U.S. oil companies, calling the bill a political stunt that would not help tamp down surging gasoline prices.</p> <p>President Barack Obama, under pressure as the pinch of higher gasoline prices becomes a hot issue in the U.S. presidential campaign, had urged Congress to end the breaks, worth about \$24 billion over 10 years, noting oil companies were raking in record profits.</p>

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And voting against extending the Solar Investment Tax Credit

[HR 2029, Vote #705, 12/18/15](#)

Heck (NV): Nay

[FY 2016 Omnibus Appropriations - Motion to Concur, House Vote #705, 12/18/15, Congressional Quarterly](#)

Rogers, R-Ky., motion to concur in the Senate amendment to the bill with an amendment that would provide \$1.15 trillion in discretionary appropriations through Sept. 30, 2016 for federal departments and agencies covered by the fiscal 2016 spending bills. Included in that total is: \$21.75 billion for Agriculture, \$55.7 billion for Commerce-Justice-Science, \$572.7 billion for Defense, \$37.2 billion for Energy-Water, \$23.2 billion for Financial Services, \$41 billion for Homeland Security, \$32.2 billion for Interior-Environment, \$162.1 billion for Labor-HHS-Education, \$4.4 billion for Legislative, \$79.9 billion Military Construction-Veterans Affairs, \$52.8 billion for State-Foreign Operations, and \$114 billion for Transportation-HUD. The measure would end the U.S. ban on crude oil exports and would reauthorize health care and victim compensation programs for 9/11 first-responders.

[“Congress Passes Tax Credits for Solar and Wind: ‘Sausage-Making at Its Most Intense’.” Green Tech Media, 12/18/15](#)

Lawmakers in the House and Senate passed a spending package today that includes multi-year extensions of solar and wind tax credits, plus one-year extensions for a range of other renewable energy technologies.

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Under the legislation, the 30 percent Investment Tax Credit (ITC) for solar will be extended for another three years. It will then ramp down incrementally through 2021, and remain at 10 percent permanently beginning in 2022.

Which the Solar Energy industry calls crucial to incentivizing the use of solar panels

[“Solar Investment Tax Credit \(ITC\).” Solar Energy Industries Association](#)

The solar Investment Tax Credit (ITC) is one of the most important federal policy mechanisms to support the deployment of solar energy in the United States. SEIA successfully advocated for a multi-year extension of the credit in 2015, which provides business certainty to project developers and investors. The ITC continues to drive growth in the industry and job creation across the country.

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The ITC has proven to be one of the most important federal policy mechanisms to incentivize the deployment of both rooftop and utility-scale solar energy in the United States. As a result of the multi-year

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	<p>extension of the credit enacted in late-2015, solar prices are expected to continue to fall while installation rates and technological efficiencies will continue to climb. The ITC is nothing short of a tax policy success story and we expect this fact to continue to play out over the next several years.</p> <p>The solar industry is a key part of Nevada's economy</p> <p>"Nevada sees rapid growth in solar industry jobs," Las Vegas Review-Journal, 2/16/2015</p> <p>The report from The Solar Foundation ranked Nevada seventh nationally with 5,900 total jobs in the solar industry.</p>
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