

# Cartoons for the Classroom

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## Should CEOs shut up, but pay up?



Pat Bagley, The Salt Lake Tribune / Courtesy of Cagle.com

### Talking Points

1. What do these cartoons say about Senate Republican leader Mitch McConnell criticizing companies for opposing Georgia's restrictive voting law?
2. McConnell received more than \$3 million in corporate contributions for last year's election. How much money do U.S. corporations spend on political contributions? How much do they spend on lobbying?
3. Are politicians likely to pay attention to ordinary voters when they rely on such huge donors?
4. Should the system be changed? Could it be changed?

### Between the lines

**Monday:** "My advice to the corporate CEOs of America is to stay out of politics. Don't pick sides in these big fights."

**Tuesday:** "I'm not talking about political contributions." - Sen. Mitch McConnell, R-Kentucky

<https://www.businessinsider.com/mcconnell-not-talking-contributions-told-ceos-to-stay-out-politics-2021-4>

### Additional resources

#### ■ More by Pat Bagley

<https://www.cagle.com/author/pat-bagley/>

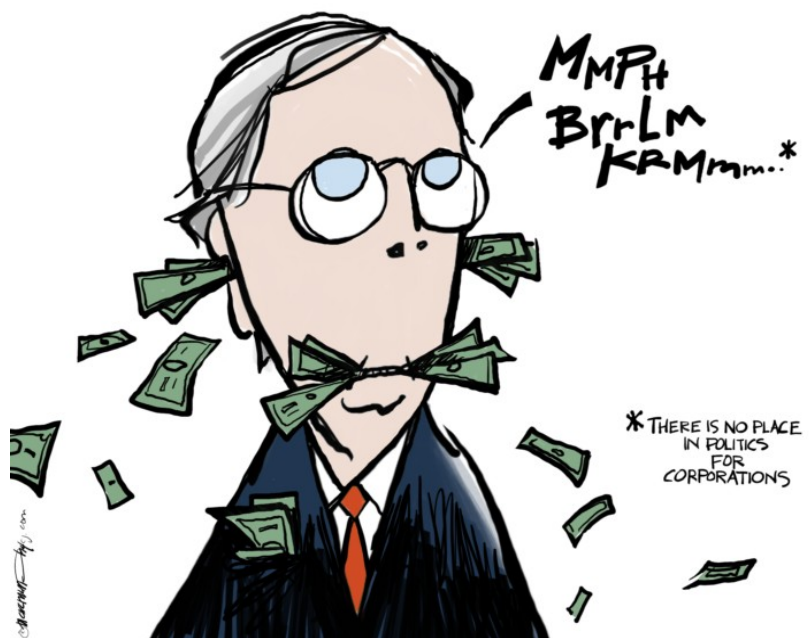
#### ■ More by Marc Murphy

<https://www.editorialcartoonists.com/cartoonists/murphm-2/cartoons/>

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