

Nixon Against Public Campaign Financing

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President Nixon said last night he is against public financing of elections because taxpayers could be asked to pay for the campaigns of candidates they oppose.

Mr. Nixon used a question on illegal foreign contributions of \$150,000 to his 1972 election campaign as the platform for a preview of the election-financing reform package he plans to make public Friday.

After acknowledging that stories leaked by White House

aide Bryce Harlow about the foreign contributions were correct, Mr. Nixon noted that "all contributions from foreign sources are prohibited" by federal law.

He went on to list as primary features of the reform package a ban on cash contributions larger than \$50 and a ban on contributions of more than \$15,000 to any presidential candidate and \$3,000 to any congressional candidate by any one person.