POLITICAL PARTY INTEREST GROUP REVIEW

Interest groups seek to influence political processes in ways that benefit their members. However, they may not act in the overall public interest. Consider iron triangles, Amicus curiae briefs, The media, Pluralism and Eliteism

Different interest groups will choose different techniques to achieve their goal base on their resources. Describe the techniques use by interest group and why they would choose to use them. Consider lobbing, electioneering, litigation and mass mobilization

How do political parties practice coalition formation and capture discontented group while holding unto their political base.

Discuss the meaning and function of a political party

<u>Terms</u>

Party Competition

Political Party

Linkage institutions

Party image

Rational Choice Theory

Party identification

Ticket splitting

Party machine

Patronage

Closed primaries

Open primaries

Blanket primaries

National convention

National committee

National chairperson

Coalition

Party era

Critical election

Party realignment

New Deal Coalition

Party dealignment

Party neutrality

Third party

Winner- take- all-system

Proportional representation

Coalition government

Responsible party model

pluralist theory

interest group

elite theory

hyperpluralist theory subgovernments potential group actual group collective good free-rider problem Olson's law of large groups Selective benefits single-issue group lobbying electioneering Political Action Committees amicus curiae briefs class action lawsuits union shops right-to-work laws public interest lobbies