Chapter 9 Interest Groups

<u>Interest Groups</u>	
1. aka	, special interest groups
2. private	that try to
public officials to respond to the	of their
members	
3. one of the most	means Americans have to get the
government to	to their wants/needs
Parties v. Interest Groups	
1. parties	interest groups do not
2. parties interested in	while
interest groups interested in	
3. parties interested in a	while
	
4. interest groups not	to the public at
large	
Functions	
1. increase	in and
of	by developing and pushing public
policy	
2	members who share the same
3	acvernment with specialized
	used to formulate policy
4. means by which citizens can	and act

5. another	on the governmentkeep close tabs on
what the	is doing
6. interest groups	with each other placina
o. interest groups	
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Criticisms	
1. too much	
2. hard to tell	many are represented
3. don't always	the people they say they do
4. use	practices
Types of Interest Groups	
1	
National Association of Manufac	•
Chamber of Commerce of the US	5 (1912
2	
AFL-CIO (American Federation of	of Labor /Congress of Industrial
Organizations)	
_	who want policies to
benefit workers	
3	
American Farm Bureau (1919)	
	and
	
4	
AMA, ABA, NEA	
occupations that require	training
5. groups that promote	
League of Women Voters	

6.	groups that	of other groups
	American Legion, Veterans of Foreign V	Vars, NAACP
	work to advance interest of these grou	
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7.		related groups
	National Council of Churches (Protesta	nt group)
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Ο.	groups working for the	
	aka Common Causerepresents Americans (
	League of Women Voters	as consumers
	League of Women Voters	
Τn	fluencing Public Opinion	
	interest groups provide public with	
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2.	interest groups build a	for a group
3.	interest groups promote a specific	
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	all the means by which	
		and the legislative process
2		neonle who try to
	ficials to do the things interest groups wan	
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2.	may include	
	•	with representative
	use of	·
	providing	
		before Congress
		bills
	providing	
	publishing	on members of Congress

3. Federal Regulation of Lobbying Act 1946 all lobbyists must and	
4. Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 must identify their and file quarterly	
Propaganda Techniques 1. defined as technique ofindividuals or groups	aimed at influencing
2liberal, communist	
3 present all of the good and none of the bad	
4use prominent person to endorse	
5everyone else is doing it	
6iust like you	