

Fair Political Practices Commission
Filing Schedule for
State General Purpose Recipient Committees (Except Political Party Committees)
State Major Donor and Independent Expenditure Committees
Assembly District 4 Special General Election
Being Voted Upon May 3, 2011

Deadline	Period	Form	Notes
Within 24 Hours <i>90-Day Independent Expenditure Report</i>	3/9/11 - 5/3/11	496	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ E-Filers only - no paper filing. ▪ File if an independent expenditure of \$1,000 or more is made in connection with a state candidate being voted upon in the May 3 election.
Within 48 Hours <i>Issue Advocacy Report</i>	3/19/11 - 5/2/11	E-530	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ E-Filers only - no paper filing. ▪ File if a payment or promise of payment of \$50,000 or more is made during the 45 days prior to an election for a communication that identifies a state candidate being voted upon in the election but does not expressly advocate the election or defeat of the state candidate.
Apr 21, 2011 <i>Special Reports</i>	2/20/11 - 4/16/11	465	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Online and paper filing. ▪ Paper filing must be sent by personal delivery or guaranteed overnight service only. ▪ 465: File if the committee made independent expenditures of \$1,000 or more in the period covered by the statement supporting or opposing a state candidate being voted upon in the May 3 election.
Within 24 Hours <i>Late Reports</i>	4/17/11 - 5/2/11	496 497	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Online only. No paper filing. ▪ 496: Must file if an independent expenditure of \$1,000 or more is made in connection with a state candidate being voted upon in the May 3 election. ▪ 497: Must file if a contribution of \$1,000 or more is made in connection with a state candidate being voted upon in the May 3 election or made to a political party committee. ▪ Deadline: File within 24 hours except the deadline for a 497 due April 23 or 24 is extended to April 25, 2011.
May 2, 2011 <i>Odd-year Reports</i>	1/1/11 - 3/31/11	450, 460 or 461	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Committees must file if contributions totaling \$10,000 or more are made during the period covered by the statement to committees controlled by elected state officers. ▪ The April 30 deadline falls on Saturday, so the deadline is extended to the next business day.
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Aug. 1, 2011 <i>Semi-Annual</i>	1/1/11 - 6/30/11 Or 4/1/11 - 6/30/11	450, 460 or 461 and possibly 465	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Online and paper filing. ▪ The July 31, 2011 deadline falls on Sunday, so the deadline is extended to the next business day. ▪ Form 450 or 460: Filed by recipient committees. ▪ Form 461 : Filed by major donor and independent expenditure committees if contributions or independent expenditures were made between January 1, 2011 through June 30, 2011 or between April 1, 2011 through June 30, 2011. ▪ Form 465: Recipient, major donor and independent expenditure committees must file Form 465 if they made independent expenditures totaling \$1,000 or more during the late reporting period of April 17, 2011 through May 2, 2011.

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- **New Rules Effective January 1, 2011:**
 - **E-Filing Threshold at \$25,000:** Beginning January 1, 2011 the threshold for which a state committee must E-file statements with the Secretary of State is lowered from \$50,000 to **\$25,000**. To determine the \$25,000 threshold count contributions received or expenditures made beginning January 1, 2000.
 - **Committees required to file late reports (Forms 496/497) with the Secretary of State must now file online, no paper copies are required.** This is true even if the committee has not met the \$25,000 threshold that requires regular campaign disclosure reports to be filed online.
 - **Fewer Copies of Statements:** State committees will no longer file paper copies of statements at the counties of San Francisco and Los Angeles. This is true whether the committee is a paper or E-filer.
 - **For more information** on campaign disclosure changes that became effective in AB 1181 (Chapter 18, Statutes of 2010) refer to the FPPC website at www.fppc.ca.gov or visit the Secretary of State's website at www.sos.ca.gov.
- **E-Filers:** For purposes of this filing schedule, an e-filer is a state committee that has met the e-filing threshold discussed above.
- **Period Covered:** The period covered by any statement begins on the day after the closing date of the last statement filed, or January 1, if no previous statement has been filed.
- **Method of Delivery:** All paper reports are filed by personal delivery or first class mail unless otherwise noted.
- **Filing Deadlines:** Deadlines are extended when they fall on a Saturday, Sunday, or an official state holiday. This extension does not apply to Form 497 due April 30 or May 1 or to any Form 496 report. Such reports must be filed within 24 hours regardless of the day of the week. Late statements are subject to a \$10 per day late fine.
- **Special Reports:** State committees may trigger special reports in odd numbered years. Exceptions apply if all contributions have been reported prior to the applicable deadline. (Government Code Sections: 84202.5, 84202.7)
- **Contribution Limits:** Contributions to state candidates and to committees that make contributions to state candidates are subject to contribution limits. Some committees that feature state candidates in advertisements are also subject to contribution limits. Refer to the contribution limit chart on the FPPC website.
- All statements are public documents.
- For important information, refer to www.fppc.ca.gov and click on the Candidates and Committees section.