

**Fair Political Practices Commission
Filing Schedule for
Political Party Committees
January Through June 2018
Special Primary and State Primary and Special General Elections
April 3, 2018 and June 5, 2018**

Note: Political parties are subject to reporting deadlines in connection with each state election including special elections. This is true even if the committee does not make a payment in connection with the particular election, but receives contributions and/or makes contributions/independent expenditures. Please read notes carefully. Special Election: AD 39, 45 and 54

Deadline	Period	Form	Notes
Jan 31, 2018 <i>Semi-Annual</i>	* – 12/31/17	450 or 460	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All committees must file Form 450 or Form 460.
Within 10 Days <i>Independent Expenditure Verification</i>	Ongoing	462	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committees making independent expenditures must file this form with the FPPC by e-mail only. No paper copy is required. Committees file only one Form 462 per election for each candidate or measure supported or opposed by an independent expenditure.
Within 24 Hours <i>Election Cycle Reports</i>	1/3/18 – 4/3/18 (AD 39 April 3 Primary) 1/9/18 – 4/3/18 (AD45 & 54 April 3 Primary) 4/4/18 – 6/5/18 (June 5 General)	496 497	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> E-file only – no paper copy is required. 496: File if an independent expenditure of \$1,000 or more in the aggregate is <i>made</i> in connection with a candidate or ballot measure being voted on the April 3 or June 5 ballot. 497: File if a contribution of \$1,000 or more in the aggregate is <i>received</i> from a single source. 497: File if a contribution of \$1,000 or more in the aggregate is <i>made</i> to a candidate or ballot measure being voted on the April 3 or June 5 ballot or to another political party committee.
Feb 22, 2018 <i>1st Pre-Election (Special Primary)</i>	1/1/18 – 2/17/18	450 or 460	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> File if contributions totaling \$1,000 or more were <i>received</i> or if independent expenditures or contributions totaling \$500 or more were <i>made</i> in connection with the April 3 or June 5 election.
Mar 22, 2018 <i>2nd Pre-Election (Special Primary)</i>	2/18/18 – 3/17/18	450 or 460	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> File if contributions totaling \$1,000 or more were <i>received</i> or if independent expenditures or contributions totaling \$500 or more were <i>made</i> in connection with the April 3 or June 5 election.
Apr 26, 2018 <i>1st Pre-Election (June 5 Primary and Special General)</i>	3/18/18 – 4/21/18	450 or 460	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> File if contributions totaling \$1,000 or more were <i>received</i> or if independent expenditures or contributions totaling \$500 or more were <i>made</i> in connection with the April 3 or June 5 election.

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May 24, 2018 <i>2nd Pre-Election (June 5 Primary and Special General)</i>	4/22/18 – 5/19/18	450 or 460	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ File if contributions totaling \$1,000 or more were <i>received</i> or if independent expenditures or contributions totaling \$500 or more were <i>made</i> in connection with the April 3 or June 5 election.
Jul 31, 2018 <i>Semi-Annual</i>	* – 6/30/18	450 or 460	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All committees must file Form 450 or Form 460.

Additional Reports

Depending on committee activity, one or more of the following reports may also be required:

Within 10 Business Days <i>\$5,000 Report (State Ballot Measure Payments)</i>	Ongoing	496 497	Only e-filers file this report: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 496: Report each independent expenditure totaling \$5,000 or more to support or oppose the qualification or passage of a single state ballot measure. ▪ 497: Report each contribution totaling \$5,000 or more to support or oppose the qualification or passage of a single state ballot measure. ▪ Contributions Received: List all new contributions of \$100 or more received by the committee that have not been previously reported up through the date of the \$5,000 or more payment.
Within 10 Business Days <i>Paid Spokesperson Report</i>	Ongoing	511	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ File if either of the following expenditures related to an advertisement to support or oppose a ballot measure are made: 1) A payment totaling \$5,000 or more to an individual to appear in an advertisement, or 2) A payment of any amount to an individual portraying a member of a licensed occupation (i.e., nurse, doctor, firefighter). E-Filers also file online.
Within 48 Hours <i>Issue Advocacy Report</i>	4/21/18 – 6/4/18	E-530	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ File if a payment or promise of a 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 candidate. No paper copy is required.

Additional Notes:

- *** 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.
- **E-File:** A state committee that has received contributions or made expenditures totaling \$25,000 or more.
- **Forms 450 and 460:** All state committees, including e-filers, must also file paper reports. Paper reports may be filed by first class mail unless otherwise noted.
- **Forms 496 and 497:** All reports filed online only. Payments for member communications are reportable within 24 hours if the member communication would otherwise be considered a contribution or independent expenditure and the payments are made during the election cycle.

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- **Deadline Extensions:** Deadlines are extended when they fall on a Saturday, Sunday, or an official state holiday. This extension does not apply to any 24-hour Independent Expenditure Reports (Form 496) or to a 24-hour Contribution Report (Form 497) that is due the weekend before the election. Such reports must be filed within 24 hours regardless of the day of the week.
- **Penalties:** Failure to file a statement on time subjects a committee to a fine of \$10 per day on both the paper and the e-filed version (e.g., \$20 per day for a late e-filed Form 460). Failure to file a statement could result in an enforcement penalty of \$5,000 per violation.
- **State Contribution Limits:** Refer to the [contribution limits chart](#) on the FPPC website.
- **Public Documents:** All forms are public documents. Manuals and instructional materials available at www.fppc.ca.gov, click on Learn, then Campaign Rules.