### **Fair Political Practices Commission**

# Filing Schedule for Political Party Committees January through December 2025 Including Activity for State Special Primary and Special General Elections June 24 and August 26, 2025

**Note:** Political party committees must file pre-election statements in connection with <u>any</u> state election, including a state special election, if the committee receives contributions of \$1,000 or more, or makes contributions or independent expenditures of \$500 or more in connection with a state election. This may be true even if the committee does not make a payment in connection with the particular election by virtue of receiving contributions during the applicable reporting period. This includes state elections held in both even and odd-numbered years.

Please read the notes carefully. Special elections covered: AD 63

# **Semi-Annual and Pre-Election Deadlines**

Deadline	Period	Form	<b>Notes</b> : Please read the notes carefully.
Jan 31, 2025 Semi-Annual	* – 12/31/24	450 <b>or</b> 460	All committees must file Form 450 or Form 460.
May 15, 2025 1st Pre-Election (Jun 24 Primary)	* – 5/10/25	450 or 460	• 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 June 24 election.
Jun 12, 2025 2nd Pre-Election (Jun 24 Primary)	5/11/25 – 6/7/25	450 or 460	• 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 June 24 election.
If combining first pre-election and semi-annual:  Jul 17, 2025**	6/8/25 <b>–</b> 7/12/25	450 or	The first pre-election and semi-annual statement <i>may</i> be combined.
1st Pre-Election and Semi-Annual (Aug 26 General) If filing separately:		460	<ul> <li>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 August 26 election.</li> <li>Filers using an electronic filing system will likely have to file two separate statements.</li> <li>If the first pre-election and semi-annual statements are combined, the period covered is the day after the closing date of the last statement filed through July 12, 2025.</li> </ul>
Jul 17, 2025 1st Pre-Election (Special General)	7/1/25 – 7/12/25	450 or 460	<ul> <li>If filing two separate statements, the period covered for the semi-annual statement is the day after the closing date of the last statement filed through June 30, 2025. The period covered for the first pre- election statement is July 1, 2025, through July 12, 2025.</li> </ul>
<b>Jul 31, 2025</b> Semi-Annual	6/8/25 - 6/30/25	450 or 460	
1st Pre-Election (Special General) Jul 31, 2025		<u>460</u> <u>450</u> or	closing date of the last statement filed through June 30, 2025. The period covered for the first pre-

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Aug 14, 2025 2nd Pre-Election (Aug 26 General)	7/13/25 – 8/9/25	450 or 460	• 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 August 26 election.
Feb 2, 2026 Semi-Annual	* – 12/31/25	450 or 460	All committees must file Form 450 or Form 460.

# **Additional Reports**

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Deadline	Period	Form	Notes
Within 24 Hours Election Cycle Reports	3/26/25 – 6/24/25 (Jun 24 Primary) 5/28/25 – 8/26/25 (Aug 26 General)	<u>496</u> <u>497</u>	<ul> <li>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 June 24 or August 26 ballot.</li> <li>497: File if a contribution of \$1,000 or more in the aggregate is <i>received</i> from a single source.</li> <li>497: File if a contribution of \$1,000 or more in the aggregate is <i>made</i> to or in connection with a candidate or ballot measure being voted on the June 24 or August 26 ballot or to another political party committee.</li> <li>E-file only. No paper copy is required.</li> </ul>
Within 48 Hours Issue Advocacy Report	5/10/25 – 6/24/25 (Jun 24 Primary) 7/12/25 – 8/26/25 (Aug 26 General)	<u>E-530</u>	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>E-file only. No paper copy is required.</li> </ul>
Within 10 Days Independent Expenditure Verification	Ongoing	462	<ul> <li>Committees making independent expenditures must file this form with the FPPC by e-mail only at Form462@fppc.ca.gov. No paper copy is required.</li> <li>Committees file only one Form 462 per election for each candidate or measure supported or opposed by an independent expenditure.</li> </ul>
Within 10 Business Days \$5,000 Report State Ballot Measure Payments	Ongoing	<u>496</u> <u>497</u>	<ul> <li>496: Report each independent expenditure totaling \$5,000 or more to support or oppose the qualification or passage of a single state ballot measure.</li> <li>497: Report each contribution totaling \$5,000 or more to support or oppose the qualification or passage of a single state ballot measure.</li> <li>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.</li> </ul>
Within 10 Days Paid Spokesperson Report	Ongoing	<u>511</u>	• File if either of the following expenditures related to an advertisement to support or oppose a ballot measure is 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 (e.g., nurse, doctor, firefighter). <b>E-filers must also file a paper copy</b> .***

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#### **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.
- \*\*Deadlines: Due to the date of the August 26, 2025, AD 63 Special General Election, the first pre-election statement and the semi-annual statement may be combined.
- \*\*\*Paper Filings: All paper filings may be filed by first-class mail or by email with a verified digital signature unless otherwise noted. Persons required to file a report or statement by paper with the Secretary of State's Office may instead file by email (<a href="digitalfiling@sos.ca.gov">digitalfiling@sos.ca.gov</a>) with a verified digital signature or other digital means as prescribed by the Secretary of State's Office. Please visit the Secretary of State's <a href="website">website</a> for more information on how to file with a digital signature.
- **Deadline Extensions:** Deadlines are extended when they fall on a Saturday, Sunday, or an official state holiday. This extension does not apply to a 24-hour/10-day Contribution Report (Form 497) that is due the weekend before an election, and this extension never applies to any 24-hour/10-day Independent Expenditure Report (Form 496). Such reports must be filed within 24 hours, regardless of the day of the week.
- E-Filer: 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 statements.\*\*\*
- Forms 496 and 497: Payments for member communications are reportable within 24 hours if they would otherwise be considered a contribution or independent expenditure and are made during the election cycle.
- State Contribution Limits: Refer to the contribution limits chart on the FPPC website.
- **Penalties:** Late statements and reports are subject 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 or report could result in an enforcement penalty of \$5,000 per violation.
- Public Documents: All statements and reports are public documents.
- Resources: Campaign manuals and other instructional materials are available on the <u>Campaign Rules</u> page. Or, visit <u>www.fppc.ca.gov</u> > Learn > Campaign Rules.

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