

## Fair Political Practices Commission

### Filing Schedule for Committees Primarily Formed to Support/Oppose Candidates for State Office Listed on the June 2, 2026 Ballot

Deadline	Period	Form	Notes
<b>Feb 2, 2026</b> <i>Semi-Annual</i>	* – 12/31/25	<a href="#">460</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All committees must file this statement.</li> <li>The January 31 deadline falls on a Saturday, so the deadline is extended to the next business day.</li> </ul>
<b>Within 3 Business Days</b> <i>Top Ten Contributor List</i>	<b>Ongoing –</b> <b><i>Except during the 16 days before the election – see bold note</i></b>	<a href="#">T-10</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Committees (primarily formed to support or oppose a state candidate) that raise \$1,000,000 or more and have received contributions of \$10,000 or more from a single source must file a list of their top ten contributors. <b>If the requirement is triggered within 16 days of the election, Form T-10 must be filed within two business days.</b></li> <li>The Form T-10 must be filed with the FPPC by e-mail only.</li> </ul>
<b>Within 10 Days</b> <i>Independent Expenditure Verification</i>	<b>Ongoing</b>	<a href="#">462</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Committees file only one Form 462 per election for each candidate supported or opposed by an independent expenditure.</li> <li>Committees making independent expenditures must file this form with the FPPC by e-mail only. No paper copy is required.</li> </ul>
<b>Within 24 Hours</b> <i>Election Cycle Reports</i>	<b>3/4/26 – 6/2/26</b>	<a href="#">496</a> <a href="#">497</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>496:</b> File if an independent expenditure of \$1,000 or more in the aggregate is made in connection with a candidate or ballot measure listed on the June 2, 2026, ballot.</li> <li><b>497:</b> File if a contribution of \$1,000 or more in the aggregate is received from a single source.</li> <li><b>497:</b> File if a contribution of \$1,000 or more in the aggregate is made to or in connection with a candidate or ballot measure listed on the June 2, 2026, ballot or made to a political party committee.</li> <li>The recipient of a non-monetary contribution must file a Form 497 within 48 hours from the time the non-monetary contribution is received.</li> <li>E-file only. No paper copy is required.</li> </ul>
<b>Apr 23, 2026</b> <i>1<sup>st</sup> Pre-Election</i>	<b>1/1/26 – 4/18/26</b>	<a href="#">460</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All committees must file this statement.</li> </ul>
<b>May 21, 2026</b> <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Pre-Election</i>	<b>4/19/26 – 5/16/26</b>	<a href="#">460</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All committees must file this statement.</li> <li>Paper copies must be filed by personal delivery, guaranteed overnight service, or by email with a verified digital signature.</li> </ul>
<b>Jul 31, 2026</b> <i>Semi-Annual</i>	<b>5/17/26 – 6/30/26</b>	<a href="#">460</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All committees must file Form 460 unless the committee files termination Forms 410 and 460 before June 30, 2026.</li> </ul>

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## Additional Reports

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

- **Payments Related to a State Ballot Measure:** File Form 496 (24-hour/10-day Independent Expenditure Report) or Form 497 (24-hour/10-day Contribution Report) within 10 business days of making payments totaling \$5,000 or more in connection with a single state ballot measure. No paper copy is required. Payments of this type may change the nature of a primarily formed candidate committee. **Only E-filers file this report.**
- **Form 511:** File within 10 days of making either of the following expenditures related to an advertisement to support or oppose a ballot measure: 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). **E-filers must also file a paper copy.\*\***
- **Form E-530:** File within 48 hours of making a payment or a promise of payment, of \$50,000 or more during the 45 days prior to an election for a communication that identifies a state candidate listed on the ballot 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.
- **\*\*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 ([digitalfiling@sos.ca.gov](mailto:digitalfiling@sos.ca.gov)) 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 [website](#) 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 a 24-hour/10-day Contribution Report (Form 497) that is due the weekend before the 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.
- **Form 460:** All state committees, including e-filers, must file paper reports.\*\*
- **Forms 496 and 497:** All reports filed online only.
- **Multipurpose Organizations (including non-profits):** A multipurpose organization that uses nondonor funds make contributions or expenditures may qualify as a major donor or independent expenditure committee and may be required to report payments on [Form 461](#). Such an organization will qualify as a recipient committee if expenditures exceed \$50,000 in a 12-month period or \$100,000 in four consecutive calendar years. An organization that qualifies as a recipient committee may need to file statements disclosing contributors. For more information, see the FPPC'S fact sheet [Multipurpose Organizations Reporting Political Spending](#).
- **State Contribution Limits:** Contributions to state candidates and to committees that make contributions to state candidates are subject to limits. Refer to the [contribution limits chart](#) on the FPPC website. Committees making "issue ads" featuring state candidates are also subject to contribution limits.

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- **Penalties:** Late statements and reports are subject to a fine of \$10 per day on both the paper and the e-filed version (i.e., \$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 [Campaign Rules](#) page. Or visit [www.fppc.ca.gov](http://www.fppc.ca.gov) > Learn > Campaign Rules.