

NOTIFICATION TO CANDIDATES TO FILE PRE-ELECTION REPORT

This notice is to inform you of an upcoming campaign finance reporting deadline. The deadline for this Pre-Election Report is:

All candidates who are on the upcoming ballot or filed a valid declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate will be required to file the pre-election report if the candidate or the candidate's campaign committee received \$1,000 or more in contributions or made \$1,000 or more in expenditures since the period reflected in the last filed report, if any, through the close of business on the 20th day before the election. If contributions and expenditures for the period are each under \$1,000, then the committee is not required to file a pre-election report but will be required to disclose its activity in the post-election report.

Candidates for statewide office, general assembly and judge of court of appeals are, in certain circumstances, required to file their campaign finance reports electronically with the secretary of state's office. Please refer to Notification to Statewide, General Assembly and Court of Appeals Candidates of Requirements to File Campaign Finance Reports by Electronic Means (Form 30-N) for more information regarding electronic filing requirements.

A committee that has filed a Local Candidate Waiver (Form 31-BB) for this election and that has not accepted contributions or made expenditures in amounts that exceed those listed on the Waiver may disregard this notice.

The penalty for failure to file a required campaign finance statement is a fine of up to \$100 per day (R.C. 3517.992(A)). The penalty for failure to file a campaign finance statement by electronic means when required to do so is a fine of up to \$1,000 (R.C. 3517.992(Z)).

Your pre-election report must be received, not postmarked, at the appropriate office as required by the Ohio Revised Code no later than 4:00 p.m. on the 12th day before the election. If you need help in completing the required forms or have any questions about Ohio campaign finance laws, please contact: