

**Fair Political Practices Commission**  
**Filing Schedule for Political Party Committees**  
**January through December 2018**  
**State Primary, Special Primary, General and Special General Elections**  
**April 3, June 5, August 7, and November 6**

**Note:** Political party committees are subject to reporting deadlines in connection with each state election including special elections. This may be true even if the committee does not make a payment in connection with the particular election by virtue of receiving contribution during the applicable reporting period. Please read notes carefully. **Special elections covered: AD 39, 45 and 54 and SD 32.**

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

<b>Deadline</b>	<b>Period</b>	<b>Form</b>	<b>Notes</b>
<b>Jan 31, 2018</b> <i>Semi-Annual</i>	* – 12/31/17	<a href="#">450</a> or <a href="#">460</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All committees must file Form 450 or Form 460.</li> </ul>
<b>Feb 22, 2018</b> <i>1<sup>st</sup> Pre-Election</i> <i>(Apr 3 Special Primary)</i>	1/1/18 – 2/17/18	<a href="#">450</a> or <a href="#">460</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>File if contributions totaling \$1,000 or more were <i>received</i>. File if independent expenditures or contributions totaling \$500 or more were <i>made</i> in connection with the April 3 election.</li> </ul>
<b>Mar 22, 2018</b> <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Pre-Election</i> <i>(Apr 3 Special Primary)</i>	2/18/18 – 3/17/18	<a href="#">450</a> or <a href="#">460</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>File if contributions totaling \$1,000 or more were <i>received</i>. File if independent expenditures or contributions totaling \$500 or more were <i>made</i> in connection with the April 3 election.</li> </ul>
<b>Apr 26, 2018</b> <i>1<sup>st</sup> Pre-Election</i> <i>(Jun 5 Primary and Special General)</i>	* – 4/21/18	<a href="#">450</a> or <a href="#">460</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>File if contributions totaling \$1,000 or more were <i>received</i>. File if independent expenditures or contributions totaling \$500 or more were <i>made</i> in connection with the April 3 or June 5 election.</li> </ul>
<b>May 24, 2018</b> <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Pre-Election</i> <i>(Jun 5 Primary and Special General)</i>	4/22/18 – 5/19/18	<a href="#">450</a> or <a href="#">460</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>File if contributions totaling \$1,000 or more were <i>received</i>. File if independent expenditures or contributions totaling \$500 or more were <i>made</i> in connection with the April 3 or June 5 election.</li> </ul>
<b>Jun 28, 2018</b> <i>1<sup>st</sup> Pre-Election</i> <i>(Aug 7 Special General)</i>	* – 6/23/18	<a href="#">450</a> or <a href="#">460</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>File if contributions totaling \$1,000 or more were <i>received</i>. File if independent expenditures or contributions totaling \$500 or more were <i>made</i> in connection with the August 7 election.</li> </ul>
<b>July 26, 2018</b> <i>Semi-Annual/</i> <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Pre-Election</i> <i>(Aug 7 Special General)</i>	6/24/18 – 7/21/18	<a href="#">450</a> or <a href="#">460</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>File if contributions totaling \$1,000 or more were <i>received</i>. File if independent expenditures or contributions totaling \$500 or more were <i>made</i> in connection with the August 7 election.</li> <li>The second pre-election and semi-annual statements may be combined.</li> </ul>
<b>Jul 31, 2018</b> <i>Semi-Annual</i>	* – 6/30/18	<a href="#">450</a> or <a href="#">460</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All committees must file Form 450 or Form 460.</li> </ul>

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<b>Sep 27, 2018</b> <i>1<sup>st</sup> Pre-Election</i> <i>(Nov 6 General)</i>	If 7/31/18 Semi-Annual statement filed: <b>7/1/18 – 9/22/18</b>  OR  If combined Semi-Annual/2 <sup>nd</sup> Pre-Election statement filed: <b>7/22/18 – 9/22/18</b>	<a href="#">450</a> or <a href="#">460</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ File if contributions totaling \$1,000 or more were <i>received</i>. File if independent expenditures or contributions totaling \$500 or more were <i>made</i> in connection with the November 6 election.</li> </ul>
<b>Oct 25, 2018</b> <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Pre-Election</i> <i>(November 6 General)</i>	<b>9/23/18 - 10/20/18</b>	<a href="#">450</a> or <a href="#">460</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ File if contributions totaling \$1,000 or more were <i>received</i>. File if independent expenditures or contributions totaling \$500 or more were <i>made</i> in connection with the November 6 election.</li> </ul>
<b>Jan 31, 2019</b> <i>Semi-Annual</i>	<b>10/21/18 – 12/31/18</b>	<a href="#">450</a> or <a href="#">460</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ All committees must file Form 450 or Form 460.</li> </ul>

## Additional Reports

<b>Deadline</b>	<b>Period</b>	<b>Form</b>	<b>Notes</b>
<b>Within 24 Hours</b> <i>Election Cycle Reports</i>	<b>1/3/18 – 4/3/18</b> <i>(AD 39 Apr 3 Special Primary)</i>  <b>1/9/18 – 4/3/18</b> <i>(AD 45 &amp; AD 54 Apr 3 Special Primary)</i>  <b>3/7/18 – 6/5/18</b> <i>(Jun 5 Primary)</i>  <b>3/8/18 – 6/5/18</b> <i>(SD 32 Jun 5 Special Primary)</i>  <b>4/4/18 – 6/5/18</b> <i>(AD 39, AD 45 &amp; AD 54 June 5 Special General)</i>  <b>5/9/18 – 8/7/18</b> <i>(SD 32 Aug 7 Special General)</i>  <b>8/8/18 – 11/6/18</b> <i>(Nov 6 General)</i>	496 497	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ E-file only – no paper copy is required.</li> <li>▪ <b>496:</b> 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, June 5, August 7, or November 6 ballot.</li> <li>▪ <b>497:</b> File if a contribution of \$1,000 or more in the aggregate is <i>received</i> from a single source.</li> <li>▪ <b>497:</b> 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, June 5, August 7, or November 6 ballot or to another political party committee.</li> </ul>

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<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 making independent expenditures must file this form with the FPPC by e-mail only. 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>
<b>Within 10 Business Days</b> <i>\$5,000 Report State Ballot Measure Payments</i>	<b>Ongoing</b>	496 497	<p><b>Only e-filers file this report:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>496:</b> 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>▪ <b>497:</b> Report each contribution totaling \$5,000 or more to support or oppose the qualification or passage of a single state ballot measure.</li> <li>▪ <b>Contributions Received:</b> 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>
<b>Within 10 Days</b> <i>Paid Spokesperson Report</i>	<b>Ongoing</b>	<a href="#">511</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 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 (e.g., nurse, doctor, firefighter). E-filers must also file a paper copy.</li> </ul>
<b>Within 48 Hours</b> <i>Issue Advocacy Report</i>	<b>2/17/18 – 4/2/18</b> <i>(April 3)</i>  <b>4/21/18 – 6/4/18</b> <i>(June 5)</i>  <b>6/23/18 – 8/6/18</b> <i>(Aug 7)</i>  <b>9/22/18 – 11/5/18</b> <i>(November 6)</i>	E-530	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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> </ul>

### 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 496 and 497:** 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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- **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.
- **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 24-hour contribution reports (Form 497) that are due the weekend before an 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 are available at [www.fppc.ca.gov](http://www.fppc.ca.gov), click on the [Learn](#) link.