Fair Political Practices Commission Filing Schedule for Committees Primarily Formed to Support/Oppose Local Measures Being Voted on March 3, 2015

Deadline	Period	Form	Notes
Within 24 Hours Contribution Reports	12/3/14 – 3/2/15	<u>497</u>	 File if a contribution of \$1,000 or more in the aggregate is received from a single source. File if a contribution of \$1,000 or more is made in the aggregate to a candidate or another measure being voted upon March 3, 2015. The recipient of a non-monetary contribution of \$1,000 or more must file a Form 497 report within 48 hours from the time the contribution is received. File by personal delivery, e-mail, guaranteed overnight service, fax or online.
Feb 2, 2015 Semi-Annual	thru – 12/31/14	<u>460</u>	 A committee formed in 2014 must file Form 460. The January 31, 2015 deadline falls on Saturday, so the deadline is extended to the next business day.
Jan 22, 2015 Pre-Election	1/1/15 – 1/17/15	<u>460</u>	All committees must file Form 460.
Feb 19, 2015 Pre-Election	1/18/15 – 2/14/15	<u>460</u>	 All committees must file Form 460. File by personal delivery, guaranteed overnight service or online.
Jul 31, 2015 Semi-Annual	2/15/15 – 6/30/15	<u>460</u>	 All committees must file Form 460 unless the committee filed termination Forms 410 and 460 before June 30, 2015.

Additional Reports

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

- 460 Ballot Measure Quarterly Report: Prior to the semi-annual period in which the measure(s) supported or opposed is being voted upon, primarily formed ballot measure committees must file quarterly campaign statements in addition to semi-annual statements. Following the election, quarterly statements may also be required.
- <u>511</u> Paid Spokesperson Report: File within 10 days of making an expenditure totaling \$5,000 or more to an individual to appear in an advertisement to support or oppose a ballot measure.

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- **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 election being held early in the year, the deadline for the first pre-election report for calendar year 2015 is earlier than the semi-annual report for calendar year 2014. A candidate/committee active in both calendar years may file the 2014 reports on January 22, 2015.
- Filing Deadlines: Deadlines are extended when they fall on a Saturday, Sunday, or an official state holiday. This extension does not apply to 24-hour independent expenditure reports (Form 496) and the deadline for the 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. Statements filed after the deadline are subject to a \$10 per day late fine.
- Method of Delivery: All paper filings are filed by personal delivery or first class mail unless otherwise noted. A paper copy of a report is not required if a local agency requires online filing pursuant to a local ordinance.
- Form 497 24-Hour Contribution Report: File if a contribution of \$1,000 or more is made in connection with a candidate or measure being voted upon in another city, county or special state election, or made to a political party committee 90 days before a state special election in 2015.
- Local Ordinance: Always check on whether additional local rules apply.
- **Public Documents:** All forms are public documents. Campaign manuals and instructional materials are available at www.fppc.ca.gov, click on the Campaign link.
- Committee Status: Contact the FPPC if the committee makes independent expenditures/contributions to candidates and other measures. Additional reports may be required.
- As of August 2014, legislation is pending that may change the filing schedule.
- Multi-Purpose Organizations (including non-profits): Effective July 1, 2014, multi-purpose organizations making political contributions or expenditures are subject to new campaign disclosure rules. In general, an organization that uses its general dues account to make contributions or expenditures may qualify as a major donor or independent expenditure committee and report payments on Campaign Form 461. Such organizations qualify as a recipient committee if expenditures exceed \$50,000 in a calendar year or \$100,000 in four years. Organizations qualifying as a recipient committee may need to file reports disclosing contributors. Some organizations will not need to file the year-end semi-annual report. See the Campaign Reporting Rules for Multipurpose Organizations fact sheet for complete instructions.