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POINT OF ENTRY REGULATION

WASHINGTON - NOVEMBER 25 - The Federal Election Commission today approved a revised regulation on the initial place of filing of federal campaign finance reports.

Under the proposed regulation, candidates for the U.S. House of Representatives, their authorized committees, and multi-candidate committees supporting only House candidates, all file with the Clerk of the House "as custodian for the F.E.C."

Similarly, candidates for the U.S. Senate, their authorized committees, and multi-candidate committees supporting only Senate candidates, will file their reports with the Secretary of the Senate "as custodian for the F.E.C."

Presidential candidates, their authorized committees, and multi-candidate committees supporting any combination of Presidential, Senate, or House candidates, will file the required reports with the F.E.C.

All reports will be available for public inspection at the F.E.C., as required by the campaign finance act. Under the proposed regulation, both the Clerk and the Secretary "shall forward to the Commission a microfilm copy of each report and statement filed with each of them as promptly as possible after receipt of the original report or statement, together with an index to the microfilmed reports and statements." Similarly, the regulation calls for the Secretary and Clerk to provide the Commission with photocopies of each report or statement "as promptly as possible after receipt."

Earlier this fall, the House rejected a proposed "Point of Entry" regulation calling for initial filing of all federal campaign reports with the F.E.C.

The revised regulation will be transmitted to Congress for review. The law provides that the Commission may not promulgate any regulation disapproved by Congress within 30 legislative days after transmittal to Congress.