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HOUSE & SENATE CAMPAIGNS FAIL TO FILE PRE-GENERAL ELECTION REPORTS

WASHINGTON -- 26 House and 4 Senate campaigns in 15 states have failed to meet the October 23 deadline for filing 12 day pre-general election reports of receipts and expenditures.

Provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act require that committees supporting candidates seeking U.S. House and Senate seats in the November 4 general election file a report of all financial activity 12 days prior to the election.

The report was to include financial activity occurring from October 1 through October 15. If sent certified or registered mail, the report should have been postmarked by October 20. Otherwise, the due date was October 23.

Some individuals and their committees have no obligation to file reports under federal election law, even though their names may appear on general election ballots. If an individual and his or her campaign committee raise or spend less than \$5,000, the individual is not considered a "candidate" and neither the individual nor the committee has to register.

The Commission notified the committees of all candidates for the general election of their potential filing requirements on September 26. Those committees which did not file on the due date were notified on October 24 that their reports had not been received and that their names would be published for failure to file if they did not respond within 4 business days.

The Commission publishes only the names of those committees which have been designated by candidates as their principal campaign committees. Under Amendments to the Federal Election Campaign Act, effective January 8, 1980, candidates no longer are required to file personal reports of receipts and expenditures. All such information is reported by authorized committees of the candidates.

Other political committees supporting House, Senate and Presidential candidates in the general election (those which are not authorized units of a candidate's campaign) also are required to file pre- and post-general election reports. Those committee names are not published by the FEC.

Further Commission action against non-filers and late filers will be decided on a case-by-case basis, depending on the amount of financial activity involved, the percent of vote received and/or the lateness of the report. The election law gives the Commission broad authority to initiate enforcement actions, including civil court enforcement and the imposition of civil penalties (\$5,000 for "any violation" and \$10,000 for any "knowing and willfull" violation) for infractions of the law, including failure to file required disclosure reports.

The next report due for all candidates' committees will be the post-general election report -- on December 4. The report will cover activity from October 16 through November 24, 1980. The year-end report for activity through December 31, 1980, will be due January 31, 1981.

As of 5:00 p.m. October 30, reports from the following committees had not been filed:

STATE

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STATE	COMMITTEE TYPE	DISTRICT (HOUSE)	COMMITTEE NAME	CANDIDATE	PARTY
CALIFORNIA					
	HOUSE				
	02		A LOT OF PEOPLE SUPPORTING NORMA BORK FOR	BORK, NORMA (KOESTER)	DEM
	06		TOM SPINOSA FOR CONG CHTE	SPINOSA, TOM	REP
	13		CIT FOR TED GAGNE	GAGNE, WILFRED EDWARD	REP
	15		RON SCHWARTZ FOR CONG CHTE	SCHWARTZ, RONALD	REP
	19		CHTE TO RE-ELECT CONG. LAGOMARSINO	LAGOMARSINO, ROBERT J	REP
	37		DON RUSK FOR CONG CHTE	RUSK, DONALD H. "DON"	DEM
FLORIDA					
	HOUSE				
	10		SPARKMAN FOR CONG	SPARKMAN, RICHARD DALE	DEM
	13		ENTIN FOR CONG CHTE	ENTIN, ALVIN ERNEST	REP
	14		EVELIO S. ESTRELLA CAMPAIGN CHTE	ESTRELLA, EVELIO S	REP
GEORGIA					
	HOUSE				
	02		CHARLES HATCHER FOR CONG CHTE	HATCHER, CHARLES FLOYD	DEM
	04		BILLINGTON FOR CONG VICTORY FUND	BILLINGTON, BARRY EARL	REP
ILLINOIS					
	HOUSE				
	01		BRUCE GREEN FOR U.S. SEN CAMPAIGN CHTE	GREEN, BRUCE	LIB
	09		CIT FOR HAROLD WASHINGTON	WASHINGTON, HAROLD	DEM
			ANDRICA FOR CONG CHTE	ANDRICA, JOHN DEAN	REP
MASSACHUSETTS					
	HOUSE				
	04		JONES FOR CONG.	JONES, RICHARD ALAN DR	REP
MICHIGAN					
	HOUSE				
	01		MICHIGAN CIT FOR CONYERS	CONYERS, JOHN J.	DEM
	12		KIRK WALSH FOR CONG CHTE	WALSH, KIRK	REP
MISSOURI					
	HOUSE				
	09		TURNER FOR CONG CHTE	TURNER, JOHN WAYNE	REP
NEW JERSEY					
	HOUSE				
	11		INDEP CHTE TO ELECT ROBERT G. TRUGHAN	TRUGHAN, ROBERT G	REP
	13		DAVE STICKLE CAMPAIGN, THE	STICKLE, DAVID B	DEM
NEW YORK					
	HOUSE				
	19		CHTE TO RE-ELECT CONG CHARLES B. RANGEL	RANGEL, CHARLES B.	DEM
	30		ZAGAME FOR CONG CHTE	ZAGAME, JOHN R	REP
	36		FEDER TO CONG	FEDER, H WILLIAM	REP
NORTH CAROLINA					
	SENATE				
			ROBERT MORGAN SENIAL CHTE	MORGAN, ROBERT B.	DEM
PENNSYLVANIA					
	HOUSE				
	14		CHTE TO ELECT STAN THOMAS 1980	THOMAS, STAN	REP
SOUTH CAROLINA					
	SENATE				
			PEOPLE FOR MARSHALL RATS-U S SEN	RAYS, MARSHALL I.	REP
SOUTH DAKOTA					
	SENATE				
			WAYNE PETERSON FOR U S SEN CHTE	PETERSON, WAYNE	REP
UTAH					
	SENATE				
			GARN CAMPAIGN CHTE	GARN, E. J. JAKE	REP
	HOUSE				
	02		MONSON FOR CONG CHTE	MONSON, ARTHUR L	DEM
WISCONSIN					
	HOUSE				
	09		SENSENBRENNER CHTE	SENSENBRENNER, F. JAMES JR.	REP