

25-4145. Party and political committees; appointment of chairperson and treasurer; statement of organization; contents; supplemental statements; political committees annual registration, form and content; fees, amount and disposition. (a) Each party committee and each political committee which anticipates receiving contributions or making expenditures shall appoint a chairperson and a treasurer. The chairperson of each party committee and each political committee which anticipates receiving contributions or making expenditures for a candidate for state office shall make a statement of organization and file it with the secretary of state not later than 10 days after establishment of such committee. The chairperson of each political committee which anticipates receiving contributions or making expenditures for any candidate for local office, shall make a statement of organization and file it with the county election officer not later than 10 days after establishment of such committee.

(b) Every statement of organization shall include:

(1) The name and address of the committee. The name of the committee shall reflect the full name of the organization with which the committee is connected or affiliated or sufficiently describe such affiliation. If the political committee is not connected or affiliated with any one organization, the name shall reflect the trade, profession or primary interest of the committee as reflected by the statement of purpose of such organization;

(2) the names and addresses of the chairperson and treasurer of the committee;

(3) the names and addresses of affiliated or connected organizations; and

(4) in the case of a political committee, the full name of the organization with which the committee is connected or affiliated or, name or description sufficiently describing the affiliation or, if the committee is not connected or affiliated with any one organization, the trade, profession or primary interest of the political committee as reflected by the statement of purpose of such organization.

(c) Any change in information previously reported in a statement of organization shall be reported on a supplemental statement of organization and filed not later than 10 days following the change.

(d) (1) Each political committee which anticipates receiving contributions shall register annually with the commission on or before July 1 of each year. Each political committee registration shall be in the form and contain such information as may be required by the commission.

(2) Each registration by a political committee anticipating the receipt of \$2,501 or more in any calendar year shall be accompanied by an annual registration fee of \$240.

(3) Each registration by a political committee anticipating the receipt of more than \$500 but less than \$2,501 in any calendar year shall be accompanied by an annual registration fee of \$35.

(4) Each registration by a political committee anticipating the receipt of \$500 or less in any calendar year shall be accompanied by an annual registration fee of \$20.

(5) Any political committee which is currently registered under subsection (d)(3) or (d)(4) and which receives contributions in excess of \$2,500 for a calendar year, shall file, within three days of the date when contributions exceed such amount, an amended registration form which shall be accompanied by an additional fee for such year equal to the difference between \$240 and the amount of the fee that accompanied the current registration.

(6) Any political committee which is currently registered under subsection (d)(4) and which receives contributions in excess of \$500 but which are less than \$2,501, shall file, within three days of the date when contributions exceed \$500, an amended registration form which shall be accompanied by an additional fee of \$20 for such year.

(e) All such fees received by or for the commission shall be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the governmental ethics commission fee fund.

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