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PRESS ADVISORY

Executive Director Frederick M. Herrmann announced today that the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission is proposing amendments to its regulations and new rules to implement recently-enacted legislation affecting candidates and committees and to undertake the periodic “Sunset” review of its rules.

Among the changes reflected in the proposal are the following: requiring every currency contribution, regardless of amount, to be reported; requiring “professional campaign fund raisers” to register and file quarterly reports; requiring political identification information on telephone calls featuring a recorded message; prohibiting solicitation and making of campaign contributions on State property by gubernatorial and legislative candidates; requiring that certain campaign and organizational treasurers receive training offered by the Commission; expanding the 48-hour notice reporting requirement for expenditures; requiring that certain gubernatorial and legislative candidates file reports using the Commission’s electronic filing software; adjusting contribution limits to comport with recent legislation; and, amending the credit card reporting requirement.

The proposed amendments will appear in the New Jersey Register on March 7, 2005, and are currently available on the Commission’s website at www.elec.state.nj.us. Copies of the Commission’s proposals may also be obtained by calling the Commission at (609) 292-8700.

The Commission will conduct a hearing to elicit public comment concerning the proposal on **Tuesday, April 19, 2005**, at 11:15 a.m. at:

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Election Law Enforcement Commission
Edward J. Farrell Memorial Conference Room
28 West State Street, 12th Floor
Trenton, New Jersey

The Commission invites participation in the hearing and requests that any testimony be limited to no more than ten minutes. Persons wishing to testify are requested to reserve time to speak by contacting Administrative Assistant Elbia L. Zeppetelli at (609) 292-8700, no later than Friday, April 15, 2005.

Submit written comments by May 6, 2005, to:

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