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PRESS ADVISORY

The New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission (ELEC) is proposing amendments concerning electronic filing and the statutorily required campaign cost inflation adjustments for Gubernatorial and non-Gubernatorial candidates and committees.

Some of the proposed amendments include the following, according to Executive Director Jeff Brindle:

- Implement ELEC's new electronic filing system;
- Require all reports to be filed electronically;
- Revise language for consistency with electronic filing;
- Streamline and clarify certain administrative procedures involving the Gubernatorial Public Financing program;
- Implement quadrennial inflation adjustments to limits that apply to gubernatorial candidates and thresholds that apply to all candidates under the New Jersey Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Reporting Act (N.J.S.A. 19:44A-1 et seq.);
- Recommend increases to contribution limits for non-Gubernatorial candidates and committees for legislative consideration;
- Apply an index of 12.84 percent to the various limits and thresholds being modified pursuant to the statute;
- Adjust the contribution limit for Gubernatorial candidates from \$4,300 to \$4,900;
- Adjust the maximum penalty for first time violators from \$8,600 to \$9,800.

The proposed amendments were published in the New Jersey Register on July 20, 2020. They are currently available on the Commission's website at www.elec.nj.gov/legalresources/reg_proposals.htm. Copies of the Commission's proposed regulatory changes may also be obtained by calling the Commission at 609-292-8700.

The Commission will hold a hearing to seek public comment about the proposed amendments on Tuesday, October 20, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. at:

Election Law Enforcement Commission

(Meeting will be conducted over the internet and is subject to change)

The Commission invites participation in this hearing and requests that any testimony be limited to no more than ten minutes.

Persons wishing to testify at the October 20, 2020 hearing are asked to reserve time to speak by contacting Administrative Assistant Elbia L. Zeppetelli at (609) 292-8700 no later than October 13, 2020.

Submit written comments by October 21, 2020, to:

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