



**Board of
Elections**

Campaign Finance & Election Law Updates

State Board of Elections

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- Chapter 42 of the Laws of 2016 (Assembly Bill 4186 / Senate Bill 2580) amends the Election Law to reference the 13th Judicial District, which was established several years ago. This proposal is NYSBOE 2016 program bill 16-1. The law is effective immediately (June 1, 2016).
- Chapter 43 of the Laws of 2016 (Assembly Bill 7597 / Senate Bill 6979) repeals the section of law allowing amounts paid to lease a polling place for accessible sites. This proposal is NYSBOE 2016 program bill 16-06. The law is effective immediately (June 1, 2016).

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- Chapter 44 of the Laws of 2016 (Assembly Bill 7817 / Senate Bill 6818) removes outdated postal language from the requirement that an annual mail notification be sent to voters and comports requirements with current postal indicia options. This proposal is NYSBOE 2016 program bill 16-16. The law is effective immediately (June 1, 2016).
- Chapter 102 of the Laws of 2016 (Assembly Bill 3330 / Senate Bill 1384) eliminates conflicting provisions related to absentee ballot counting. Harmonizes statute to consistently reflect recently enacted requirement that absentee ballots are not counted at the poll sites. This proposal is NYSBOE 2016 program bill 16-04. The law is effective immediately (July 21, 2016).

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- Chapter 139 of the Laws of 2016 (Assembly Bill 10105 / Senate Bill 7090) would allow political committees to file electronic copies of their campaign political communications. This proposal is NYSBOE 2016 program bill 16-10. This law is effective immediately (July 21, 2016).

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- Assembly Bill 9919 / Senate Bill 6833) would permit the use of special ballots by those responding to emergency situations and provides for filing and transmittal assistance appropriate to emergency circumstances. This proposal is NYSBOE 2016 program bill 16-14. This act would take effect immediately upon signing.

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- Assembly Bill 10742 / Senate Bill 8160 would enact into law several components. The election law-related matters included in the bill can be found in: Party A - concerning independent expenditures and coordination; Part B – requires segregated accounts for party committee or constituted committee housekeeping accounts; and Part C – which would require that a campaign account must be wound down within two years of the candidate or elected official's death and provides for several legitimate uses for moneys in accounts that are wound down.

Questions?