

Budget Subcommittee – Quarterly Meeting

The Commissioner of Political Practices office is budgeted for 7 Employees.

- the Commissioner
- Attorney
- Investigator
- 3 Compliance Specialist
- Communications & Outreach

The Communications & Outreach position is currently vacant. We are in the early stages of fill that position.

This is a busy time for Commissioners office. As I'm sure you are aware registration to run for office closes on March 11th.

As of March 6th, we have the following candidates that have filed with our office for the 2024 election cycle.

- 346 State District Candidates
- 24 Statewide Candidates
- 186 County Candidates
- 35 School Trustee Candidates
- 10 City Candidates

Starting March 20th all State District & Statewide candidates will have finance reports that need to, filed with our office. Finance reports are due on the 20th of March, April, May & June. If the candidate is nominated in the primary election, they will then have reports due. August, September, October, and November, on the 20th of each month. Candidates running for other offices will have reports that need to be filed with our office if, they indicated they will spend \$500 or more this election cycle.

On the 30th of each month listed above the following committees will have finance report due.

- 100 Political Party Committees
- 103 Independent (PAC) Committees
- 9 Ballot Issue Committees
- Any Incidental, Local Government or Minor party Committee that get involved in an election.

These numbers will grow throughout the year. On March 19th, we will certify to all 56 Counties and the Secretary of State's Office, that we have received all forms & paperwork required at that time and candidates can be placed on the Primary Ballot.

After the Primary election we will certify to all counties and Secretary of States Office for candidate that have satisfied our requirement to be placed on the General Ballot. We will also send out certifications after the General election.

We had 507 active Principal's that had to file finance reports on February 15th out of those we had 2 that filed late and were fined \$50 a day that the report was late.

We currently have 3 campaign finance complaints filed in 2024.

We had 26 filed in 2023 with 16 being dismissed, 5 Sufficiency decision issued and 5 that are still being worked on.

We have done 5 campaign finance trainings for candidates and committee and are in the process of scheduling more throughout the state.