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To: Members, Washington State Public Disclosure Commission
From: Lori Anderson, Communications & Training Officer
Date: January 21, 2016
Re: Public Hearing – Rules – January 28, 2016 Meeting

During a January 28, 2016 public hearing, the Commission will consider adopting these proposed amendments:

WAC 390-05-400 Changes in dollar amounts. The proposed amendment makes inflationary adjustments to contribution limits and other dollar amounts enacted by Initiative 134. The Commission must adjust these dollar amounts at the beginning of every even-numbered year. RCW 42.17A.125(1). [Draft language approved October 22, 2015.]

WAC 390-16-050 Forms for contributions and expenditures of out-of-state political committees. The proposed amendment modifies, for inflation, the disclosure threshold for large, out-of-state contributions reported by a political committee meeting the criteria to report as an out-of-state committee. This adjustment is an annual requirement. RCW 42.17A.250(1)(g). [Draft language approved October 22, 2015.]

WAC 390-12-200 Public disclosure commission – executive director. The proposed amendment better clarifies the duties delegated to the executive director and authorizes the director to determine when a complaint alleging a minor or technical violation(s) may be resolved by using one of the alternatives to adjudicative proceedings set out in WAC 390-37-061. [Draft language approved October 5, 2015.]

WAC 390-17-400 Time limit to solicit or accept contributions. This proposal converts to rule PDC Interpretation 01-04, which clarifies the conditions under which an elected official subject to the session freeze may participate in fund raising events benefitting a bona fide political party or candidate who is not subject to the freeze. [Draft language approved August 27, 2015.]

Notice of the January 28 hearing was published in the State Register; no comments have been received.

Action by the Commission. Staff requests the Commission adopt the proposed amendments to WACs 390-05-400, 390-12-200, and 390-17-400. Once adopted, the rules are effective 31 days after filing with the Code Reviser.

Attachments: Hearing notices | Proposed WACs 390-05-400, 390-16-050, 390-12-200 and 390-17-400