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## CONNECTICUT SENATORIAL CAMPAIGN FAILS TO FILE PRE-CONVENTION REPORT

WASHINGTON — The Bozzuto U.S. Senate '80 Committee in Connecticut, has failed to meet the July 14th deadline for filing pre-convention campaign disclosure reports.

Provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act require that committees supporting candidates seeking U.S. Senate seats in the July 26 Connecticut Republican Senatorial Convention file reports 12 days before the convention.

As of 5 p.m. July 22, the report from the Bozzuto committee had not been filed.

The report was to include financial activity occurring between April 1, (or date of registration), through July 6. If sent certified or registered mail, the report should have been postmarked by July 11. Otherwise, the due date was July 14.

Some individuals and their committees have no obligation to file reports under federal election law, even though their names may appear on state primary ballots. If an individual and his or her campaign committee raise or spend less than \$5,000, the individual is not considered a "candidate" and neither the individual nor the committee has to register.

The Commission notified the committees of all candidates participating in the convention of their potential filing requirements on June 20. Those committees which did not file on the due date were notified that their reports had not been received and that their names would be published for failure to file if they did not respond within 4 business days.

The Commission publishes only the names of those committees which have been designated by candidates as their principal campaign committees. Under Amendments to the Federal Election Campaign Act, effective January 8, 1980, candidates no longer are required to file personal reports of receipts and expenditures. All such information is reported by authorized committees of the candidates.

Other political committees supporting House and Senate candidates in primary elections and conventions (those which are not authorized units of a candidate's campaign) also are required to file pre-primary or pre-convention reports, unless they report monthly. Those committee names are not published by the FEC.

The next report due for Connecticut candidate committees will be the third quarter report - on October 15. The report will cover activity from July 7 through September 30, 1980.