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## U.S. SENATE AND HOUSE CAMPAIGNS FAIL TO FILE PRE-GENERAL ELECTION REPORTS

WASHINGTON -- 21 House campaigns and 1 Senate committee have failed to meet the October 21 deadline for filing 12-day pre-general election reports of receipts and expenditures.

Provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act require that committees supporting candidates seeking U.S. House and Senate seats in the November 2 general election file a report of all financial activity 12 days prior to the election.

The report was to include financial activity occurring from October 1 through October 13. If sent certified or registered mail, the report should have been postmarked by October 18. Otherwise, the due date was October 21.

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

The Commission notified the committees of all candidates for the general election of their potential filing requirements 25 days prior to the due date. Those committees which did not file on the due date were notified on October 22 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 the general election (those which are not authorized units of a candidate's campaign) also are required to file pre- and post-general election reports. Those committee names are not published by the FEC.

Further Commission action against non-filers and late filers will be decided on a case-by-case basis, depending on the amount of financial activity involved, the percent of vote received and/or the lateness of the report. The election law gives the Commission broad authority to initiate enforcement actions, including civil court enforcement and the imposition of civil penalties (\$5,000 for "any violation" and \$10,000 for any "knowing and willful" violation) for infractions of the law, including failure to file required disclosure reports.

The next report for all candidates' committees (those involved in the general election) will be the post-general election report - on December 2. The report will cover activity from October 14 through November 22, 1982. The year-end report for activity through December 31, 1982, will be due January 31, 1983.

Names of non-filing committees appear on the next page.

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## The following lists the non-filers by state:

California	14	Baron Reed for Congress...Baron Reed (Democrat)
	32	Brian Lungren Campaign Committee...Brian Lungren (Republican)
	42	Lungren for Congress.....Daniel Lungren (Republican)
Florida	01	People for Bechtol.....Terryl Bechtol (Republican)
	17	William Lehman Campaign Fund Cmte.....William Lehman (Democrat)
Georgia	02	Charles Hatcher for Cong. Campaign Cmte..Charles Hatcher (Dem)
Illinois	02	Gus Savage for Congress '82....Gus Savage (Dem)
Louisiana	08	Friends of Gillis Long...Gillis Long (Dem)
Massachusetts		
	08	*Committee to Elect Frank McNamara, Jr..Frank McNamara (Rep)
Minnesota	05	Johnson for Congress.....Keith Johnson (Rep)
Nebraska		
	Senate	Walsh for Senate Campaign....Virginia F. Walsh (Ind)
	House/03	*Committee to Re-Elect Virginia Smith to Congress..Virginia Smith..(R)
Nevada	02	Mary Gojack Congressional Campaign Cmte...Mary Gojack (Dem)
New York	02	*Citizens for Downey.....Thomas J. Downey (Dem)
	12	Major Owens for Cong. Committee.....Robert Major Owens (Dem)
	15	*Citizens for Betty Goetz Lall.....Betty Goetz Lall (Dem)
Ohio	11	Warner for Congress.....Glen Warner (Rep)
Pennsylvania		
	07	*Steve Joachim for Congress Committee..Steve Joachim (Rep)
	08	Reef for Congress.....Albert H. Reef (Ind)
South Carolina		
	02	Committee to Elect Ken Mosely to Congress...Ken Mosely (Dem)
Texas	04	Pete Collumb for Congress Committee....Peter Collumb (Rep)
	18	Pickett for Congress.....C. Leon Pickett (Rep)

\* Committees denoted with an asterisk have filed their pre-general election report, but the report was received after the 5:00 p.m. deadline of October 28.