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WASHINGTON -- Simplified and more informative public disclosure of presidential campaign finance activities during 1983-84 will be possible with new reporting forms proposed to Congress by the Federal Election Commission.

Revised reporting forms to be used by authorized presidential campaign committees have been sent to both Houses of Congress where each has 10 legislative days (days when each House is in session) to disapprove. If there is no veto, the FEC may formally prescribe them, probably in time for the first quarterly reports due on April 15.

While the new reporting forms parallel those previously approved for use by authorized committees of candidates for U.S. Senate and House, they include additional information required of Presidential committees. However, the forms also conform to the 1979 amendments to the Federal Election Campaign Act.

During its public meeting on Thursday, January 20, the Commission also gave final approval to revised Presidential Primary Matching Fund Regulations. They will be sent to Congress where both Houses have 30 legislative days (both Houses in session the same day) to consider them. If neither House disapproves by the end of that period, the Commission may put them into effect, replacing regulations that governed the 1980 Presidential primaries.