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FEC SUGGESTS NEW GUIDELINES FOR 1984 PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARIES

WASHINGTON -- Revised election law regulations have been sent to Congress by the Federal Election Commission proposing some changes relating to campaign finance activities of 1984 Presidential candidates.

The proposed regulations are, in part, a result of the Commission's experiences with public financing during the 1980 Presidential primaries. In addition, they incorporate modifications based on the 1979 Amendments to the Federal Election Campaign Act and on written comments and oral testimony provided at a public hearing in December.

If neither the Senate nor the House of Representatives disapproves the proposed regulations within 30 legislative days (both houses in session on the same day), the FEC may formally prescribe them.

The revisions include expanded sections governing state-by-state allocations of expenditures, a more detailed statement of the requirements for making submissions for matching payments and changes in standards for determining the matchability of certain contributions.