

MICHIGAN CAMPAIGN FINANCE ACT (EXCERPT)
Act 388 of 1976

169.236 Filing copies of campaign statements with secretary of state and county clerks; availability to public.

Sec. 36. (1) A candidate committee for a state elective office or a judicial office shall file a copy of the campaign statement required under this act with the secretary of state. The secretary of state shall reproduce the copy and transmit the reproduction to the clerk of the county of residence of the candidate.

(2) A ballot question committee supporting or opposing a statewide ballot question shall file a copy of the campaign statement required under this act with the secretary of state and with the clerk of the most populous county in the state. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a ballot question committee supporting or opposing a ballot question to be voted upon in more than 1 county, but not statewide, shall file a copy of the campaign statement required under this act with the clerk of the county in which the greatest number of registered voters eligible to vote on the ballot question reside. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a ballot question committee supporting or opposing a ballot question to be voted upon within a single county shall file a copy of the campaign statement required under this act only with the clerk of that county. If a ballot question committee is registered with the secretary of state and is supporting or opposing a nonstatewide ballot question, that ballot question committee is only required to file the campaign statement required under this act with the secretary of state.

(3) A political party committee shall file a copy of the campaign statement required under this act with the secretary of state. The secretary of state shall reproduce a copy of the campaign statement of a political party committee that is a county committee and file the copy with the clerk of the county where the county committee operates.

(4) A committee supporting or opposing a candidate for local elective office, if the office is to be voted on in more than 1 county but not statewide, shall file a copy of the campaign statement required under this act with the clerk of the county in which the greatest number of registered voters eligible to vote on the office reside.

(5) If a committee is registered with the secretary of state and is supporting or opposing the recall of a local elective officeholder, that committee is only required to file the campaign statement required under this act with the secretary of state.

(6) A committee not covered under subsection (1), (2), (3), (4), or (5) shall file a copy of the campaign statement required under this act with the secretary of state, except that a committee reporting contributions or expenditures for a candidate within only 1 county shall file a statement only with the clerk of that county.

(7) A local unit of government that receives copies of campaign statements under this section shall make the statements available for public inspection and reproduction during regular business hours of the local unit of government. The local unit of government shall make the statements available as soon as practicable after receipt, but not later than the third business day following the day on which they are received.

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