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**HOUSE BILL 25-1319**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101     **CONCERNING VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER,**  
102     **AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.**

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**Bill Summary**

*(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)*

The bill modifies the process for filling vacancies in an unexpired term in the office of county commissioner for county commissioners affiliated with a major political party in counties with populations of at least 50,000. Under current law, in the event of a vacancy in an unexpired term in the office of county commissioner, a vacancy committee appoints an individual to fill the vacancy until the next general election. The bill

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Dashes through the words or numbers indicate deletions from existing law.

changes this process for a vacancy in an unexpired term of a county commissioner who is affiliated with a major political party if the vacancy occurs on or after July 31 of an even-numbered year but before July 31 of an odd-numbered year. If a vacancy in the office of county commissioner occurs on or after July 31 of an odd-numbered year but before July 31 of an even-numbered year or if a vacancy occurs and the unexpired term is less than 90 days, the vacancy is filled pursuant to current law.

The bill requires that, if the vacancy occurs on or after July 31 of an even-numbered year but before July 31 of an odd-numbered year, the vacancy must be filled by vacancy committee selection until the next regularly scheduled odd-year November election following the vacancy, when the vacancy must be filled by vacancy election held as part of the odd-year November election (vacancy election). An individual elected at a vacancy election serves until the next general election.

A vacancy election is administered according to the state election code, as applicable. A candidate must be placed on the ballot for a vacancy election if the candidate:

- Files a nominating statement signed by 30% of the district vacancy committee members with the county clerk and recorder and the candidate's major political party by the seventieth day before the vacancy election; or
- Submits to the county clerk and recorder, at least 75 days prior to the vacancy election, a notarized candidate's statement of intent and a petition signed by at least 200 electors who are affiliated with the same major political party as the candidate and are eligible to vote in the district for which the candidate is to be elected.

No other candidates are placed on the ballot. A candidate must meet the current statutory and constitutional requirements for serving as a county commissioner and be registered with the vacating commissioner's major political party by the first business day in January of the calendar year in which the vacancy election occurs. A candidate in a vacancy election is subject to the campaign finance requirements of the "Fair Campaign Practices Act".

Only registered electors who reside within the district served by the vacating commissioner and who are registered with the same major political party as the vacating commissioner or who are unaffiliated with a political party are eligible to vote in a vacancy election, unless 75% of the political party county central committee affirmatively votes to allow only electors affiliated with the political party to vote in a vacancy election.

The bill also makes conforming amendments.

1           **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 1-4-702, **amend** (1)  
2 and (3) as follows:

3           **1-4-702. Nominations of candidates for [REDACTED] election by**  
4 **convention.** (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a political  
5 party may choose to change from the nomination of candidates by  
6 primary election OR BY THE PROCESS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 1-12-206 (8)  
7 IN THE CASE OF A COUNTY COMMISSIONER VACANCY ELECTION to the  
8 nomination of candidates by assembly or convention for all offices  
9 including, but not limited to, United States senator, representative in  
10 congress, all elective state, district, and county officers, and members of  
11 the general assembly if at least three-fourths of the total VOTING  
12 membership of the party's state central committee votes ARE CAST IN THE  
13 AFFIRMATIVE to use the assembly or convention nomination process;  
14 except that nominations by major political parties for candidates for  
15 lieutenant governor shall be made by the party's candidate for governor  
16 pursuant to section 1-4-502 (3). Such vote of the party central committee  
17 shall occur no later than October 1 of the year preceding the year in which  
18 an assembly or convention nominating process is to be used. FOR  
19 PURPOSES OF THIS VOTE, MEMBERS OF THE STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE  
20 SHALL NOT VOTE BY PROXY.

21           (3) Whichever method of candidate selection is chosen by a major  
22 political party as between primary election, assembly, or convention, all  
23 of the candidates for that party at any level of office in that election year  
24 must be selected by such method, except that the requirements of this  
25 provision shall not apply to a primary for president of the United States  
26 if such an election is held OR TO CANDIDATES FOR A COUNTY  
27 COMMISSIONER VACANCY ELECTION PURSUANT TO SECTION 1-12-206 (8).

1           **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 1-5-505.5, **add** (1)(d)  
2 as follows:

3           **1-5-505.5. State reimbursement to counties for elections with**  
4 **state certified ballot content.** (1) (d) (I) FOR A COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
5 VACANCY ELECTION, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 1-12-206 (9), HELD AS PART  
6 OF AN ODD-YEAR NOVEMBER ELECTION FOR WHICH THE STATE CERTIFIES  
7 ANY BALLOT CONTENT, THE STATE SHALL REIMBURSE EACH COUNTY FOR  
8 FORTY-FIVE PERCENT OF THE COSTS THAT THE COUNTY INCURS IN  
9 CONDUCTING THE COORDINATED ELECTION, WHICH MAY INCLUDE THE  
10 VACANCY ELECTION, ACCORDING TO SUBSECTIONS (1)(a) AND (1)(b) OF  
11 THIS SECTION. THE REMAINDER OF THE COSTS THAT THE COUNTY INCURS  
12 IN CONDUCTING THE VACANCY ELECTION IS A COUNTY CHARGE, THE  
13 PAYMENT OF WHICH IS PROVIDED IN THE SAME MANNER AS THE PAYMENT  
14 OF OTHER EXPENSES. THE SECRETARY OF STATE MAY ADOPT RULES FOR  
15 DETERMINING WHICH COSTS ARE NECESSARY AND REASONABLE AND  
16 THEREFORE REIMBURSABLE BY THE STATE.

17           (II) FOR A COUNTY COMMISSIONER VACANCY ELECTION, AS  
18 DEFINED IN SECTION 1-12-206 (9), HELD AS PART OF AN ODD-YEAR  
19 NOVEMBER ELECTION FOR WHICH THE STATE DOES NOT CERTIFY ANY  
20 BALLOT CONTENT, THE COSTS THAT THE COUNTY INCURS IN CONDUCTING  
21 THE VACANCY ELECTION ARE BORNE BY THE COUNTY.

22           **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 1-12-206, **amend** (1)  
23 and (5); and **add** (8) and (9) as follows:

24           **1-12-206. Vacancies in the office of county commissioner -**  
25 **county commissioner vacancy election - definition.** (1) In case of a  
26 vacancy occurring in the office of county commissioner, a vacancy  
27 committee constituted as provided in this section shall, by a majority vote

1 of its members present at a meeting called for the purpose, fill the  
2 vacancy by appointment within ten days after the occurrence of the  
3 vacancy. The meeting shall not be held unless a quorum is present  
4 consisting of not less than one-half of the voting members of the vacancy  
5 committee. A member of the vacancy committee may not vote by proxy.  
6 ALL VACANCY COMMITTEE MEETINGS MUST BE ACCESSIBLE IN REAL TIME  
7 BY LIVE STREAMING VIDEO OR AUDIO THAT IS RECORDED AND ACCESSIBLE  
8 TO THE PUBLIC. If the vacancy committee fails to fill the vacancy within  
9 ten days, the governor shall fill the vacancy by appointment within fifteen  
10 days after the occurrence of the vacancy.

11 (5) Any person appointed to a vacancy in the office of county  
12 commissioner under this section must be a resident of the county and  
13 reside within the district, if any, in which the vacancy exists and must be  
14 a member of the same MAJOR political party or minor political party, if  
15 any, shown in the statewide voter registration system as the vacating  
16 commissioner. ~~Any~~ EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (8)  
17 OF THIS SECTION, A person appointed pursuant to this section holds the  
18 office until the next general election or until the vacancy is filled by  
19 election according to law.

20 (8) (a) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 1-12-208, FOR COUNTIES  
21 WITH A POPULATION OF AT LEAST FIFTY THOUSAND, IF A VACANCY IN THE  
22 OFFICE OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER OCCURS ON OR AFTER JULY 31 OF AN  
23 EVEN-NUMBERED YEAR AND BEFORE JULY 31 OF THE NEXT  
24 ODD-NUMBERED YEAR AND THE FORMER COMMISSIONER WHOSE SEAT IS  
25 VACANT WAS AFFILIATED WITH A MAJOR POLITICAL PARTY, THE VACANCY  
26 MUST BE FILLED BY A VACANCY COMMITTEE PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (1)  
27 OF THIS SECTION UNTIL THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED ODD-YEAR

1 NOVEMBER ELECTION OR THE TUESDAY SUCCEEDING THE FIRST MONDAY  
2 OF NOVEMBER OF THE ODD-NUMBERED YEAR FOLLOWING THE VACANCY,  
3 WHICHEVER OCCURS SOONER, WHEN THE VACANCY MUST BE FILLED BY  
4 COUNTY COMMISSIONER VACANCY ELECTION; EXCEPT THAT, IF THE  
5 VACANCY OCCURS ON OR AFTER JULY 31 OF AN EVEN-NUMBERED YEAR  
6 BUT BEFORE BALLOT CONTENT IS CERTIFIED FOR THE GENERAL ELECTION  
7 HELD IN THAT EVEN-NUMBERED YEAR AND THE VACANT SEAT IS  
8 SCHEDULED TO BE ON THE BALLOT AT THE GENERAL ELECTION HELD IN  
9 THAT EVEN-NUMBERED YEAR, THE VACANCY IS FILLED AT THAT GENERAL  
10 ELECTION ACCORDING TO LAW. THE CANDIDATE ELECTED IN THE COUNTY  
11 COMMISSIONER VACANCY ELECTION SHALL SERVE UNTIL THE NEXT  
12 REGULARLY SCHEDULED GENERAL ELECTION, WHEN THE VACANCY MUST  
13 BE FILLED BY ELECTION.

14 (b) THE ONLY CANDIDATES WHO MAY RUN IN A COUNTY  
15 COMMISSIONER VACANCY ELECTION ARE CANDIDATES WHO, AS OF ONE  
16 YEAR PRIOR TO THE DATE OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONER VACANCY  
17 ELECTION, ARE MEMBERS OF THE SAME POLITICAL PARTY AND RESIDENTS  
18 OF THE SAME DISTRICT AS THE FORMER COMMISSIONER WHOSE SEAT IS  
19 VACANT. A CANDIDATE MUST MEET THE CURRENT STATUTORY AND  
20 CONSTITUTIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER AND BE  
21 REGISTERED WITH THE SAME MAJOR POLITICAL PARTY AS THE VACATING  
22 COMMISSIONER BY THE FIRST BUSINESS DAY IN JANUARY OF THE  
23 CALENDAR YEAR IN WHICH THE COUNTY COMMISSIONER VACANCY  
24 ELECTION OCCURS.

25 (c) A CANDIDATE FOR A COUNTY COMMISSIONER VACANCY  
26 ELECTION IS ELIGIBLE TO BE PLACED ON THE BALLOT IF THE CANDIDATE:

27 (I) FILES A NOMINATING STATEMENT ON A FORM CREATED BY THE

1 CANDIDATE'S POLITICAL PARTY THAT IS SIGNED BY AT LEAST THIRTY  
2 PERCENT OF THE APPLICABLE VACANCY COMMITTEE MEMBERS WITH THE  
3 COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER AND THE CANDIDATE'S POLITICAL PARTY  
4 BEFORE 5 P.M. ON THE SEVENTIETH DAY PRECEDING THE COUNTY  
5 COMMISSIONER VACANCY ELECTION; OR

6 (II) SUBMITS TO THE COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER, NO LATER  
7 THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THEIR PETITION FORMAT HAS BEEN APPROVED  
8 OR EIGHTY-FIVE DAYS PRIOR TO THE COUNTY COMMISSIONER VACANCY  
9 ELECTION, WHICHEVER IS SOONER, A NOTARIZED CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT  
10 OF INTENT AND A PETITION SIGNED BY AT LEAST TWO HUNDRED ELECTORS  
11 WHO ARE AFFILIATED WITH THE SAME POLITICAL PARTY AS THE  
12 CANDIDATE AND ARE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE IN THE DISTRICT FOR WHICH THE  
13 CANDIDATE IS TO BE ELECTED. PART 9 OF ARTICLE 4 OF THIS TITLE 1  
14 APPLIES TO PETITIONS SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (8) OF THIS  
15 SECTION; EXCEPT THAT THE PROVISIONS OF PART 9 OF ARTICLE 4 OF THIS  
16 TITLE 1 THAT CONFLICT WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OR TIMELINE DESCRIBED  
17 IN THIS SECTION DO NOT APPLY TO PETITIONS SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO  
18 SUBSECTION (8) OF THIS SECTION. PETITIONS MUST NOT BE CIRCULATED  
19 AND SIGNATURES MUST NOT BE OBTAINED PRIOR TO THE FIRST BUSINESS  
20 DAY AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE VACANCY. A PETITION MUST NOT  
21 BE CIRCULATED UNTIL IT HAS BEEN APPROVED AS MEETING THE  
22 REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 1-4-904 AS TO FORM. THE COUNTY CLERK AND  
23 RECORDER SHALL APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE A PETITION AS TO FORM NO  
24 LATER THAN THE CLOSE OF THE SECOND BUSINESS DAY FOLLOWING  
25 SUBMISSION OF THE PROPOSED PETITION.

26 (d) (I) THE CANDIDATE'S POLITICAL PARTY COUNTY CHAIR SHALL  
27 VERIFY THAT A NOMINATING STATEMENT FILED PURSUANT TO THIS

1 SUBSECTION (8) SATISFIES THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION (8)(c)(I) OF  
2 THIS SECTION. UPON THE POLITICAL PARTY COUNTY CHAIR'S VERIFICATION  
3 THAT THE NOMINATING STATEMENT IS SUFFICIENT, THE COUNTY CLERK  
4 AND RECORDER SHALL CERTIFY THE CANDIDATE TO THE BALLOT.

5 (II) IF A VACANCY COMMITTEE MEMBER SIGNS A NOMINATING  
6 STATEMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (8)(c)(I) OF THIS SECTION  
7 AFTER HAVING SIGNED ANOTHER NOMINATING STATEMENT FILED FOR THE  
8 SAME OFFICE IN THE SAME COUNTY COMMISSIONER VACANCY ELECTION,  
9 THE VACANCY COMMITTEE MEMBER'S SIGNATURE ONLY COUNTS TOWARD  
10 THE THIRTY PERCENT OF APPLICABLE VACANCY COMMITTEE MEMBER  
11 SIGNATURES REQUIRED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (8)(c)(I) OF THIS  
12 SECTION ON THE FIRST NOMINATING STATEMENT SUBMITTED THAT  
13 CONTAINS THE SIGNATURE.

14 (e) (I) THE COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER SHALL VERIFY THAT A  
15 PETITION SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (8) SATISFIES THE  
16 REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION (8)(c)(II) OF THIS SECTION. THE COUNTY  
17 CLERK AND RECORDER SHALL REVIEW THE PETITION ACCORDING TO  
18 SECTION 1-4-908; EXCEPT THAT THE COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER  
19 SHALL NOTIFY THE CANDIDATE OF THE SUFFICIENCY OR INSUFFICIENCY OF  
20 THE PETITION NO LATER THAN TEN CALENDAR DAYS AFTER RECEIVING THE  
21 PETITION. IF THE COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER DETERMINES THE  
22 PETITION TO BE SUFFICIENT, THE COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER SHALL  
23 ISSUE A STATEMENT OF SUFFICIENCY. PROTESTS AND REVIEW OF THE  
24 SUFFICIENCY OF A PETITION ARE ACCORDING TO SECTIONS 1-4-909 AND  
25 1-4-911. UPON DETERMINING THAT THE PETITION IS SUFFICIENT AND  
26 AFTER THE TIME FOR PROTEST HAS PASSED, THE COUNTY CLERK AND  
27 RECORDER SHALL CERTIFY THE CANDIDATE TO THE BALLOT. CANDIDATE

1 PLACEMENT ON THE BALLOT IS DRAWN BY LOT.

2 (II) IF AN ELIGIBLE ELECTOR SIGNS A PETITION IN ACCORDANCE  
3 WITH SUBSECTION (8)(c)(II) OF THIS SECTION AFTER HAVING SIGNED  
4 ANOTHER PETITION SUBMITTED FOR THE SAME OFFICE IN THE SAME  
5 COUNTY COMMISSIONER VACANCY ELECTION, THE ELECTOR'S SIGNATURE  
6 ONLY COUNTS TOWARD THE TWO HUNDRED ELECTOR SIGNATURES  
7 REQUIRED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (8)(c)(II) OF THIS SECTION ON THE  
8 FIRST PETITION SUBMITTED THAT CONTAINS THE SIGNATURE.

9 (f) THE ONLY VOTERS WHO MAY VOTE IN THE COUNTY  
10 COMMISSIONER VACANCY ELECTION ARE ELIGIBLE ELECTORS OF THE  
11 COUNTY OF THE FORMER COMMISSIONER WHOSE SEAT IS VACANT AND  
12 WHO:

13 (I) ARE MEMBERS OF THE SAME POLITICAL PARTY AS THE FORMER  
14 COMMISSIONER WHOSE SEAT IS VACANT; OR

15 (II) ARE UNAFFILIATED, UNLESS AT LEAST THREE-FOURTHS OF THE  
16 TOTAL VOTING MEMBERSHIP OF THE POLITICAL PARTY'S STATE CENTRAL  
17 COMMITTEE VOTES ARE CAST IN THE AFFIRMATIVE TO ONLY ALLOW  
18 MEMBERS OF THE POLITICAL PARTY TO VOTE AT A COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
19 VACANCY ELECTION. SUCH VOTE OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE MUST  
20 OCCUR NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 1 OF THE YEAR PRECEDING THE COUNTY  
21 COMMISSIONER VACANCY ELECTION. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS VOTE,  
22 MEMBERS OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE SHALL NOT VOTE BY PROXY.

23 (g) EXCEPT AS MODIFIED BY THIS SUBSECTION (8), THE  
24 APPROPRIATE COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER SHALL CONDUCT THE  
25 COUNTY COMMISSIONER VACANCY ELECTION ACCORDING TO THE OTHER  
26 APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THIS CODE AND SHALL ENSURE THAT ELIGIBLE  
27 ELECTORS ARE ESTABLISHED USING THE SAME METHOD OF ELECTION THAT

1 WAS USED TO ELECT THE VACATING COMMISSIONER PURSUANT TO PART 3  
2 OF ARTICLE 10 OF TITLE 30.

3 (h) UPON RECEIPT OF THE CERTIFIED ABSTRACT OF VOTES CAST,  
4 THE COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER SHALL ISSUE A CERTIFICATE OF  
5 ELECTION TO THE SUCCESSOR CANDIDATE WHO RECEIVED THE HIGHEST  
6 NUMBER OF VOTES AT THE COUNTY COMMISSIONER VACANCY  
7 ELECTION. THE CANDIDATE WHO RECEIVED THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF  
8 VOTES MUST BE SWORN IN AND ASSUMES THE DUTIES OF THE OFFICE UPON  
9 CERTIFICATION OF THE ELECTION RESULTS.

10 (i) COUNTY COMMISSIONER VACANCY ELECTIONS ARE SUBJECT  
11 TO THE APPROPRIATE SECTIONS OF ARTICLE 45 OF THIS TITLE 1 AND  
12 ARTICLE XXVIII OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION. AN INDIVIDUAL WHO  
13 SEEKS NOMINATION OR ELECTION TO THE OFFICE OF COUNTY  
14 COMMISSIONER AT A COUNTY COMMISSIONER VACANCY ELECTION IS A  
15 "CANDIDATE" FOR PURPOSES OF ARTICLE 45 OF THIS TITLE 1 AND SECTION  
16 2 (2) OF ARTICLE XXVIII OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION.

17 (9) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE  
18 REQUIRES, "COUNTY COMMISSIONER VACANCY ELECTION" MEANS AN  
19 ELECTION DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (8)(a) OF THIS SECTION HELD IN  
20 NOVEMBER OF AN ODD-NUMBERED YEAR, WHICH MAY BE PART OF A  
21 COORDINATED ELECTION, AND WHICH IS HELD FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
22 FILLING A VACANCY IN AN UNEXPIRED TERM OF THE OFFICE OF COUNTY  
23 COMMISSIONER WHO WAS AFFILIATED WITH A MAJOR POLITICAL PARTY IN  
24 A COUNTY WITH A POPULATION OF AT LEAST FIFTY THOUSAND.

25 **SECTION 4.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 1-45-103, **amend** (2)  
26 and (8) as follows:

27 **1-45-103. Definitions.** As used in this article 45, unless the

1 context otherwise requires:

2 (2) "Candidate" ~~shall have~~ HAS the same meaning as set forth in  
3 section 2 (2) of article XXVIII of the state constitution; EXCEPT THAT  
4 "CANDIDATE" ALSO INCLUDES A CANDIDATE FOR A COUNTY  
5 COMMISSIONER VACANCY ELECTION, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 1-12-206(9).

6 (8) "Election cycle" ~~shall have~~ HAS the same meaning as set forth  
7 in section 2 (6) of article XXVIII of the state constitution; EXCEPT THAT,  
8 FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER VACANCY ELECTIONS HELD PURSUANT TO  
9 SECTION 1-12-206, "ELECTION CYCLE" MEANS THE PERIOD BEGINNING ON  
10 THE DATE THE VACANCY TO BE FILLED BY VACANCY ELECTION OCCURRED  
11 AND ENDING THIRTY DAYS FOLLOWING THE VACANCY ELECTION FOR THAT  
12 OFFICE.

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14 **SECTION 5.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 1-45-103.7, **add** (4.7)  
15 as follows:

16 **1-45-103.7. Contribution limits - county offices - school district**  
17 **director - treatment of independent expenditure committees -**  
18 **contributions from limited liability companies - voter instructions on**  
19 **spending limits - definitions.** (4.7) (a) A CANDIDATE COMMITTEE  
20 ESTABLISHED IN THE NAME OF A CANDIDATE WHO IS RUNNING FOR A  
21 COUNTY COMMISSIONER VACANCY ELECTION, AS DEFINED IN SECTION  
22 1-12-206 (9), MAY ACCEPT FROM ANY ONE PERSON THE AGGREGATE  
23 CONTRIBUTION LIMIT FOR A GENERAL ELECTION AS SPECIFIED IN  
24 SUBSECTION (1.5) OF THIS SECTION APPLICABLE TO THE OFFICE OF COUNTY  
25 COMMISSIONER AT ANY POINT DURING THE ELECTION CYCLE.

26 (b) A CANDIDATE COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED IN THE NAME OF A  
27 CANDIDATE WHO IS RUNNING FOR A COUNTY COMMISSIONER VACANCY

1 ELECTION, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 1-12-206 (9), MAY EXPEND  
2 CONTRIBUTIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (4.7)(a) OF THIS  
3 SECTION AT ANY POINT DURING THE ELECTION CYCLE.

4 **SECTION 6.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 1-45-108, **amend**  
5 (2)(a)(I)(C), (2)(a)(I)(D), and (2)(a)(I)(F) as follows:

6 **1-45-108. Disclosure - definitions - repeal.** (2) (a) (I) Except as  
7 provided in subsections (2)(a)(V), (2.1), (2.5), (2.7), and (6) of this  
8 section, such reports that are required to be filed with the secretary of  
9 state must be filed:

10 (C) On the first day of each month beginning the sixth full month  
11 before the major election; except that no monthly report shall be required  
12 on the first day of the month in which the major election OR COUNTY  
13 COMMISSIONER VACANCY ELECTION, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 1-12-206(9),  
14 is held;

15 (D) On the first Monday in September and on each Monday every  
16 two weeks thereafter before the major election OR COUNTY  
17 COMMISSIONER VACANCY ELECTION, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 1-12-206(9);

18 (F) Fourteen days before and thirty days after a special legislative  
19 election OR COUNTY COMMISSIONER VACANCY ELECTION, AS DEFINED IN  
20 SECTION 1-12-206 (9), held in an off-election year.

21 **SECTION 7. Appropriation.** For the 2025-26 state fiscal year,  
22 \$314,920 is appropriated to the department of state for use by the  
23 information technology division. This appropriation is from the  
24 department of state cash fund created in section 24-21-104 (3)(b), C.R.S.  
25 To implement this act, the division may use this appropriation for  
26 personal services.

27 **SECTION 8. Safety clause.** The general assembly finds,

1 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate  
2 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for  
3 the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state  
4 institutions.