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Secretary of State Bruce McPherson Reminds Candidates and Committees of Filing Deadline

SACRAMENTO, CA - Secretary of State Bruce McPherson issued a reminder today that tomorrow, Thursday, May 25, 2006 is a major campaign finance reporting deadline for state candidates, ballot measure committees, and other political organizations participating in the June 6 Primary Election.

For most campaign committees, the comprehensive reports will detail all contributions made and received, and all expenditures made between March 18 and May 20, 2006. Candidates and committees that raise or spend \$50,000 or more file their reports online with the Secretary of State. The deadline to submit the electronic filings is midnight Thursday. They may be viewed immediately after submittal on the Secretary of State's Cal-Access web site: cal-access.ss.ca.gov.

Filing reports will be candidates for statewide and legislative offices, ballot measure committees, political action committees, independent expenditure committees, slate mailer organizations, state and county political party committees, and major donors. The last pre-election reports were filed on March 22, and covered the period from January 1 through March 17, 2006.

In the days remaining before Election Day, committees making and committees receiving contributions of \$1,000 or more will continue disclosing those payments in late contribution reports that are due within 24 hours of the transactions. Independent expenditures of \$1,000 or more also must be reported within 24 hours up until Election Day. The late reports also appear daily on Cal-Access.

For more information, please visit the Secretary of State's website at www.ss.ca.gov or contact the Press Office at 916-653-6575.