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## *Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board*

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**FROM:** Gary Goldsmith, Executive Director

**SUBJECT:** Obsolete rules report pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 14.05, subdivision 5.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 14.05, subdivision 5, the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board hereby informs you that the following rules are obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative.

1. Minnesota Rules 4501.0500, subpart 2(A) is unnecessary because the Board has concluded that the rule imposes a filing requirement more stringent than that imposed by statute.
2. Minnesota Rules 4503.0200, subpart 6, which requires depositories for political committees, is a redundant and overly broad restatement of the requirements found in Minnesota Statutes sections 10A.14 and 10A.15.
3. Minnesota Rules 4503.0500, subpart 8, which requires the use of an automobile to be classified as either an expenditure to be reimbursed or an in-kind contribution, is obsolete because of the provisions of Minnesota Statutes section 10A.01, subdivision 9.

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4. Minnesota Rules 4503.1400, subpart 8, contains filing deadlines for the submission of affidavits of contributions for special elections that have been rendered obsolete by the provisions of Minnesota Statutes section 10A.323.
5. Minnesota Rules 4503.1450, subpart 3, which regulates notification given to candidates of the general account portion of the public subsidy payment, has been rendered obsolete because of changes in Minnesota Statutes section 10A.321.
6. Minnesota Rules 4503.1700, which requires reporting of certain contributions to the Board within 48 hours, is obsolete because of an amendment to the filing period and method found in Minnesota Statutes section 10A.20, subdivision 5.
7. Minnesota Rules 4512.0100, subparts 2 and 4, which define the terms "individual services" and "field of specialty" as they relate to plaques given as gifts, are obsolete because of amendments to Minnesota Statutes section 10A.071, subdivision 3 (a) (4).
8. References in the rules to the threshold at which itemization of a contribution or an expenditure is required must be changed from \$100 to \$200 because the legislature increased this threshold in Chapter 10A.
9. References to election year contribution and expenditure limits must be changed to election cycle or election segment limits due to a statutory terminology change.
10. References to the supplemental economic interest statement must be changed to the annual economic interest statement due to a statutory terminology change made in 2015.

The rules in items one through nine were identified in last year's obsolete rules report. The Board plans to repeal these obsolete provisions as part of a regular rulemaking proceeding when resources are available. Therefore, the Board **does not** request that any of the rules identified in this report be included in the Revisor of Statutes bill on obsolete rules.

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