

# 2016 MUNICIPAL ELECTION BILLS

March 24, 2015

# Initiative and Referendum Amendments

HB10

- Amends the definition of local law to include:
  - ▣ “other legislative action of a local legislative body.
- Requires the local clerk to provide petition materials to the sponsors within 5 business days of receiving an application.
- Allows the sponsors to provide a description of the local law for a referendum
- Removes a criminal penalty relating to the statement on an initiative or referendum petition that a person signing the petition has read and understands the law to which the initiative or referendum relates

# Election Revisions

HB21

- Provides for the daily disclosure of the results of absentee ballots and provisional ballots counted during the period beginning on the day after the election date and ending on the day before the canvass date

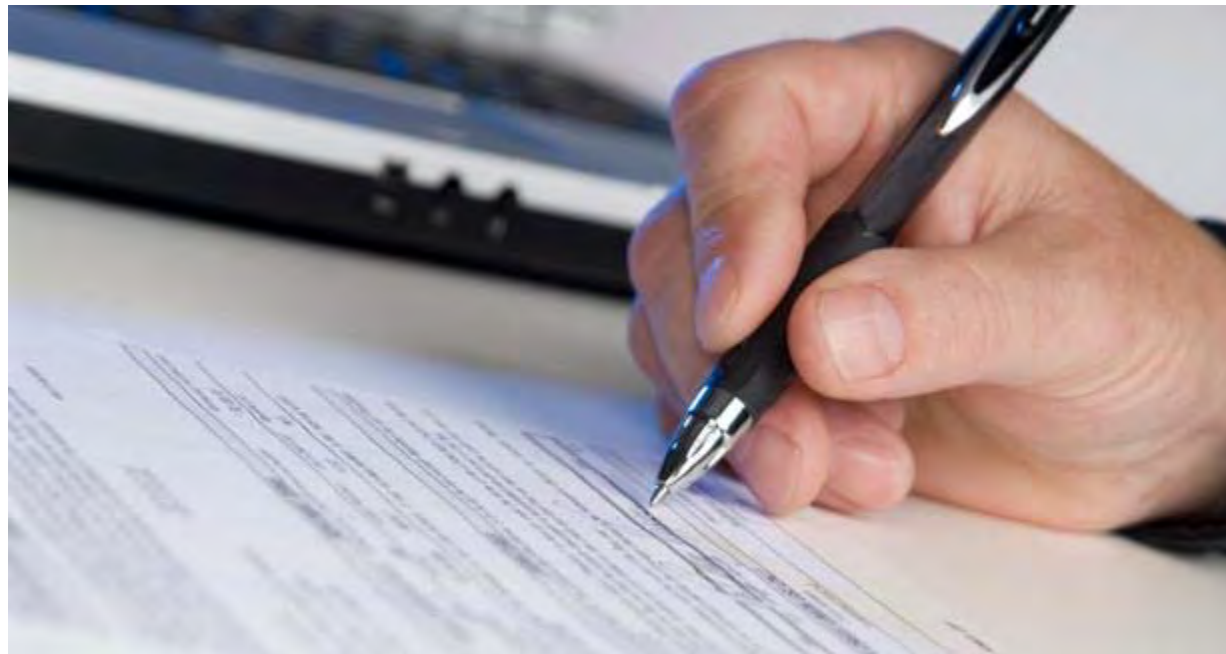


**Election Results**

# Campaign Finance Disclosures in Municipal Elections

## HB83

- Requires candidates running in a municipal primary election to file a report 7 days prior to the primary



# Political Issues Committee Amendments

HB95

- Adds that a group that is *supporting* a local ballot proposition may not have to register as a PIC in certain circumstances



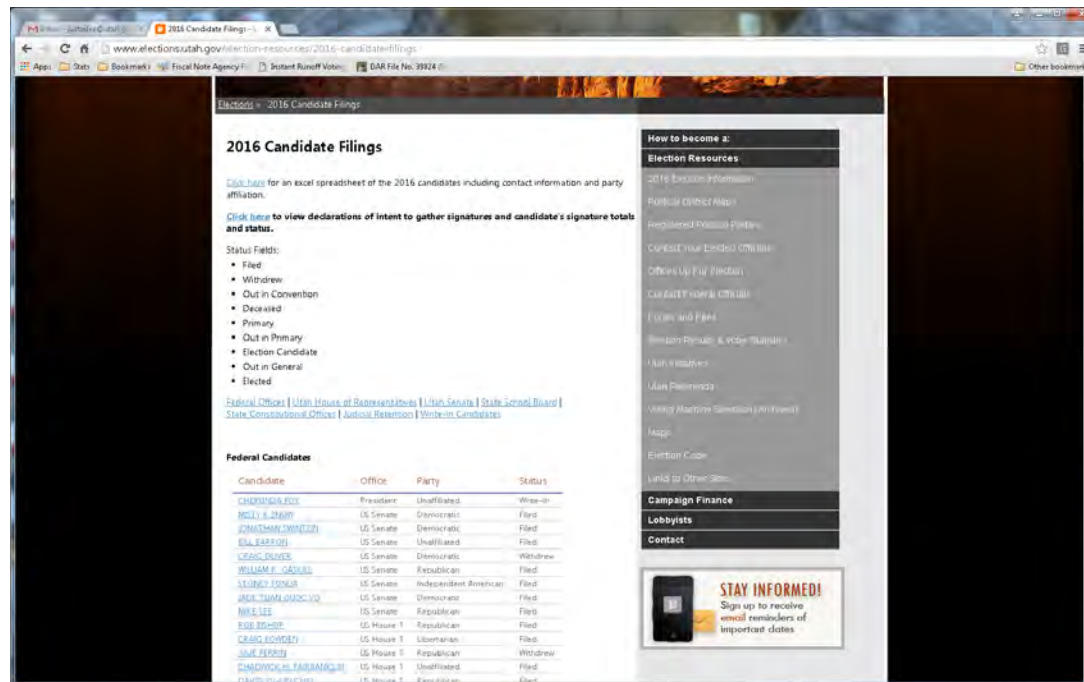
# PIC does not include

- A group of individuals who:
- (A) associate together for the purpose of challenging or supporting a single ballot proposition, ordinance, or other governmental action by a county, city, town, local district, special service district, or other local political subdivision of the state;
- (B) have a common liberty, property, or financial interest that is directly impacted by the ballot proposition, ordinance, or other governmental action;
- (C) do not associate together, for the purpose described in Subsection (37)(b)(vi)(A), via a legal entity;
- (D) do not receive funds for challenging or supporting the ballot proposition, ordinance, or other governmental action from a person other than an individual in the group; and
- (E) do not expend a total of more than \$5,000 for the purpose described in Subsection (37)(b)(vi)(A).

# Disclosure of Local Candidates

HB146

- Requires the clerk of a county or a municipality to post on the municipal or county website the name, office the candidate is seeking, and campaign contact information of a candidate who files a declaration of candidacy within 3 business days



The screenshot shows a web browser displaying the "2016 Candidate Filings" page. The page includes a navigation menu on the right with categories like "Election Resources", "Campaign Finance", and "Lobbyists". The main content area features a "2016 Candidate Filings" section with links to spreadsheets and a "Status Fields" list. Below this is a "Federal Candidates" table with columns for Candidate, Office, Party, and Status.

Candidate	Office	Party	Status
CHRISTOPHER FOXE	President	Unaffiliated	Withdrew
BOB LYNN	US Senate	Democratic	Filed
JONATHAN SWINTON	US Senate	Democratic	Filed
EDDIE BARRON	US Senate	Unaffiliated	Filed
CHRIS BROWN	US Senate	Democratic	Withdrew
WILLIAM J. GARDNER	US Senate	Republican	Filed
ALVIN J. BROWN	US Senate	Independent American	Filed
BOB BROWN	US Senate	Democratic	Filed
MIKE LEE	US Senate	Republican	Filed
BOB BROWN	US House 1	Republican	Filed
CHRIS BROWN	US House 1	Libertarian	Filed
BOB BROWN	US House 2	Republican	Withdrew
CHRISTOPHER BARRON	US House 1	Unaffiliated	Filed
CHRIS BROWN	US House 1	Republican	Filed

# Ballot Proposition Amendments

HB198

- ❑ Matches deadlines for arguments for or against ballot propositions between 20A-7 Part 4 (Local VIP) and 59-1 Part 16 (Transparency of Ballot Propositions Act)
- ❑ Moves the deadline to hold a public meeting from no more than 14 days before and election to no more than 45 days before and election





# Municipal Disconnection Amendments

HB248

- Provides that the mayor of a municipality in which an area proposed for disconnection is located may file a request for disconnection



# Political Subdivisions Ethics Commission

HB359

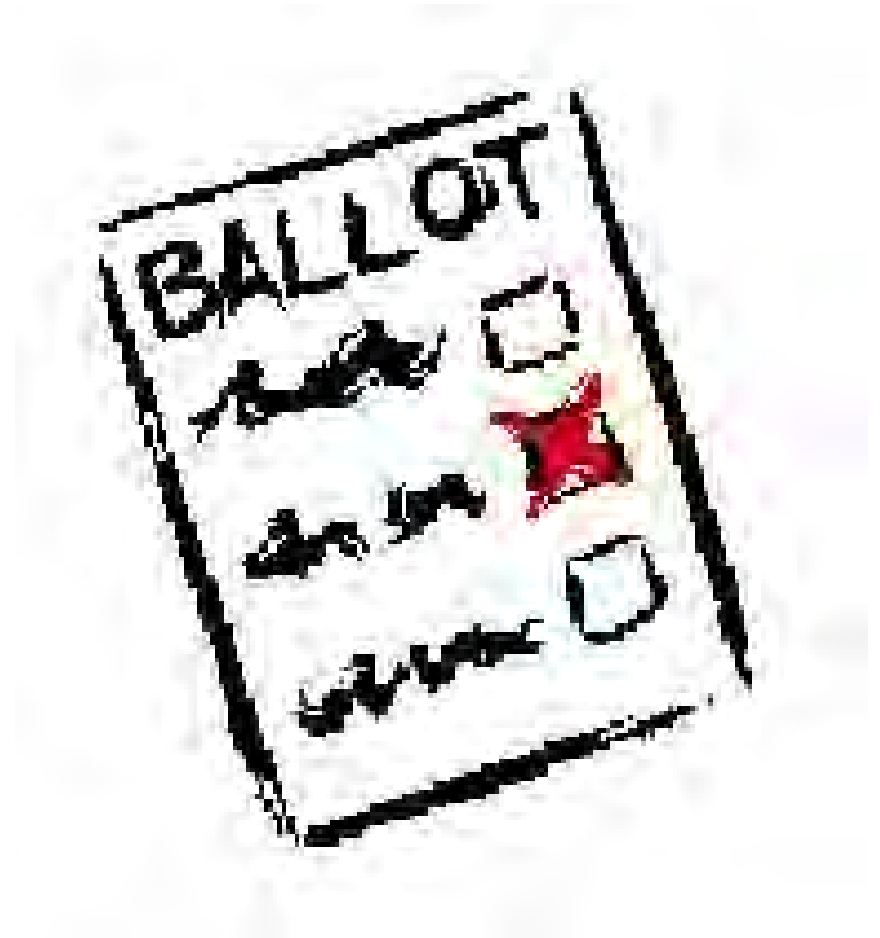
- Makes it so complaints go directly to the Political Subdivisions Ethics Commission instead of to the LG's office



# Ballot Amendments

SB25

- Codifies order of offices on ballot, cleans up antiquated ballot format language





# Absentee Ballot Amendments

SB27

- Moves the time absentee ballots must be mailed to voters from 28 days to 21 days prior to the election



# Municipal Utilities Amendments

SB114

- Allows a local political subdivision to call an election on a proposed public communications service infrastructure



# Questions?

