

**Title 1 OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Division 50 Missouri Ethics Commission
Chapter 5 Committee Registration and Reporting**

PROPOSED RULE

1 CSR 50-5.020 - Registration Requirements for Committees Domiciled Outside the State of Missouri and Out-of- State Committees

PURPOSE: This rule clarifies and makes consistent the rules requiring committees domiciled outside the state of Missouri and out-of-state committees, including certain federal committees, to register and file campaign finance disclosure reports with the Missouri Ethics Commission. The rule also clarifies federal committees which qualify as federal political action committees for purposes of contributions to Missouri committees under the Missouri Constitution.

(1) Committees domiciled outside the State of Missouri and out-of-state committees which meet the conditions of section 130.021.10, RSMo shall be required to register as a Missouri continuing committee/political action committee with the Commission.

(2) Committees falling within the requirements of section (1) shall be required to:

(A) Appoint a treasurer who is a resident of the State of Missouri;

(B) Have a single official fund depository within the state of Missouri as defined in section 130.021.4(1), RSMo and shall maintain at least one official depository account in the committee's name;

(C) Include the words "federal committee" in the committee name in order to identify themselves as a federal political action committee under Mo. Const. art. VIII, section 23.3(12); and

(D) File a statement of organization identified as a continuing/political action committee no later than sixty (60) days prior to the election for which the committee receives contributions or make expenditures, and prior to making a contribution or expenditure in the State of Missouri.

(3) A committee domiciled outside the State of Missouri or an out-of-state committee which does not meet the conditions of section 130.021.10, RSMo shall be required to comply with out-of-state reporting requirements under sections 130.049 and 130.050, RSMo.

(4) Federal political action committees domiciled within the State of Missouri shall be required to follow the requirements of section (2) if they meet the definition of a continuing committee/political action committee under Mo. Const. Art. VIII, Section 23.7(6)(c) and Mo. Const. Art. VIII, Section 23.7(20); and section 130.011(10), RSMo.

(5) A federal political action committee meeting the requirements of this rule shall be considered a “federal political action committee” for purposes of contributing to Missouri continuing committees/political action committees pursuant to Mo. Const. Art VIII, Section 23.

(6) Any committee required to file statements of organization under this rule shall be required to follow all reporting and recordkeeping requirements under Chapter 130, RSMo.

AUTHORITY: Mo. Const. Art VIII, Section 23.7(6)(c) and Mo. Const. Art. VIII, Section 23.7(20); and sections 105.955.14(7), 105.961.3, 130.011(10), 130.021.4, and 130.021.5 RSMo 2016. Original rule filed February 7, 2018.

***PUBLIC COST:** This proposed rule will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.*

***PRIVATE COST:** This proposed rule will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.*

***NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS:** Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed rule with the Missouri Ethics Commission, 3411A Knipp Drive, Jefferson City MO. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the **Missouri Register**. No public hearing is scheduled.*