



## **Statement of Justification and Reasons for Adoption of Temporary Rules**

### **Office of the Secretary of State Rules Concerning Campaign and Political Finance 8 CCR 1505-6**

**August 2, 2019**

Amended Rules: 1.4, 1.6 through 1.8, 2.2.3, 2.2.4(b)(1), 2.4.3, 5.1, 5.2, 7.1.1, 9.1, 10.1.3, 10.2.3, 10.4.1 through 10.4.3, 10.5, 10.6, 10.16, 10.17, 11.5, 12.5, 17.2.4, 17.5, 18.1.1(c), 18.1.2, 18.1.3, 18.2.1, 18.2.11, and renumbering amendments as required

Repealed Rules: 10.15.1, 16.3, 18.2.2 through 18.2.10, 18.3, 18.4

New Rules: 1.6.4, 1.8.3, 1.23, 10.17.1(g)(1-3), 18.2.2(d), 18.2.3, 18.2.4, 21.2, 22

In accordance with Colorado campaign and political finance laws,<sup>1</sup> the Secretary of State finds that certain amendments to the existing campaign and political finance rules must be adopted and effective immediately to ensure the uniform and proper administration and enforcement of Colorado campaign and political finance laws during the 2019 election cycle. Temporary adoption is necessary both to comply with law and to preserve the public welfare generally.

Adoption of these rules on a temporary basis is necessary to implement legislation recently passed by the General Assembly, including: HB19-1007, HB19-1318, SB19-068, SB19-229, and SB19-232. This temporary adoption also overrides temporary rules 10.17 and 18.2.13 previously adopted to comply with the requirements of Article XXVIII, Section 3(13) of the Colorado Constitution and to facilitate implementation of SB19-232. The enclosed temporary rule adoption correlates with permanent rules adopted by the Secretary of State today, August 2, 2019, and is necessary to provide clear guidance to interested parties, including, but not limited to: candidates, political parties, political organizations, and committees.

For these reasons, and in accordance with the State Administrative Procedure Act, the Secretary of State finds that temporary adoption of the amendments to existing campaign and political finance rules is imperatively necessary to comply with state and federal law and to promote public interests.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Article XXVIII, Section 9(1)(b), of the Colorado Constitution and section 1-45-111.5(1), C.R.S. (2018).

<sup>2</sup> Section 24-4-103(3)(6), C.R.S. (2018).