

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Olympia, Washington

Bil Analysis

Bil No. HB 1884

Providing pointments to inspect
campaign account books.

Brief title

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BACKGROUND:

A candidate or candidate authorized committee must maintain books account accurately reflecting contributions and expenditures as well as five business days of the receipt of expenditure.

However during the eight days prior to the election primary the books account must be kept current with one business day. During this eight-day period the books account must be open for public inspection for at least two consecutive hours between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays at the principal headquarters address of the treasurer such as the places authorized by the Public Disclosure Commission. The committee or organization must file with the Public Disclosure Commission specifically which hours each day the books account are open for public inspection.

SUMMARY:

The requirement for keeping an authorized committee's books account open for public inspection during the eight-day period prior to the election primary is altered. The books account must be open for public inspection for at least two consecutive hours the eight days before the election primary.

In addition the books account must also be open for public inspection to be conducted from 8:00 a.m. through 8:00 p.m. on the seventh day through the day immediately before the election primary, not including Saturday or Sunday or a legal holiday. An appointment must be made for this inspection, appointment must be made between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. the eighth day prior to the election primary.

FISCAL NOTE: Not requested.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Ninety days after adjournment session which bill passed.