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A bill for an act
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relating to elections; modifying certain filing dates and reporting requirements;
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amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 10A.09, subdivision 1; 205.13,
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subdivision 1a; 211A.02, subdivision 2.
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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
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Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 10A.09, subdivision 1, is amended to read:
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Subdivision 1. **Time for filing.** An individual must file a statement of economic interest:
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(1) within 60 days of accepting employment as a public official or a local official in a
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metropolitan governmental unit;
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(2) within 60 days of assuming office as a district court judge, appeals court judge,
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supreme court justice, or county commissioner;
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(3) within 14 days after filing the candidate filing period ends where the candidate filed
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an affidavit of candidacy or petition to appear on the ballot for an elective state constitutional
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or legislative office or an elective local office in a metropolitan governmental unit other
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than county commissioner;
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(4) in the case of a public official requiring the advice and consent of the senate, within
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14 days after undertaking the duties of office; or
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(5) in the case of members of the Minnesota Racing Commission, the director of the
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Minnesota Racing Commission, chief of security, medical officer, inspector of pari-mutuels,
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and stewards employed or approved by the commission or persons who fulfill those duties
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under contract, within 60 days of accepting or assuming duties.
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EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective January 1, 2026.

2.1 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 205.13, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

2.2 Subd. 1a. **Filing period.** In a city nominating candidates at a primary, an affidavit of
2.3 candidacy for a city office voted on in November must be filed no more than 84 days nor
2.4 less than 70 days before the city primary. In municipalities that do not hold a primary, an
2.5 affidavit of candidacy must be filed no more than 70 days and not less than 56 days before
2.6 the municipal general election held in March in any year, or a special election not held in
2.7 conjunction with another election, and no more than ~~98~~ 112 days nor less than ~~84~~ 98 days
2.8 before the municipal general election held in November of any year. The municipal clerk's
2.9 office must be open for filing from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on the last day of the filing period.

2.10 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2026.

2.11 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 211A.02, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

2.12 Subd. 2. **Information required.** The report to be filed by a candidate or committee must
2.13 include:

2.14 (1) the name of the candidate and office sought;

2.15 (2) the printed name, address, telephone number, signature, and email address, ~~if available,~~
2.16 or an attestation that the candidate and the candidate's campaign do not possess an email
2.17 address, of the person responsible for filing the report;

2.18 (3) the total cash on hand designated to be used for political purposes;

2.19 (4) the total amount of contributions received and the total amount of disbursements for
2.20 the period from the last previous report to five days before the current report is due;

2.21 (5) if disbursements made to the same vendor exceed \$100 in the aggregate during the
2.22 period covered by the report, the name and address for the vendor and the amount, date,
2.23 and purpose for each disbursement; and

2.24 (6) the name, address, and employer, or occupation if self-employed, of any individual
2.25 or entity that during the period covered by the report has made one or more contributions
2.26 that in the aggregate exceed \$100, and the amount and date of each contribution. The filing
2.27 officer must restrict public access to the address of any individual who has made a
2.28 contribution that exceeds \$100 and who has filed with the filing officer a written statement
2.29 signed by the individual that withholding the individual's address from the financial report
2.30 is required for the safety of the individual or the individual's family.

2.31 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2026.