

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR CONNECTICUT STATE AGENCIES

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Notice of Intent

In accordance with the provisions of Section 4-168(a) of the *Connecticut General Statutes* (CGS) the **State Elections Enforcement Commission** hereby gives notice that it proposes to adopt a regulation concerning **Organizational Rules of Practice**.

Comment period (See CGS section 4-168(a)(1)(A))

A comment period of not less than thirty days shall begin upon posting of this notice to the eRegulations System website and shall end on **Friday, September 5, 2025**.

Detailed description of the proposed regulation. (See CGS Sec. 4-168(a)(1)(B))

These proposed amendments to the Commission's current regulations would make the following substantive changes:

- Adding a definition for "referral" to distinguish between a "complaint" and a "referral";
- Clarifying changes to the Commission's procedure for handling time extensions on pending cases;
- Updating accepted methods of communications with the Commission to include modern methods;
- Including clarifying language on the Commission's methods and procedures for notice and service to interested parties;
- Including a section explaining a party or intervenor's right to appear by attorney;
- Adding "registrars of voters" as elections official that can refer matters to the Commission in conformance with present practice;
- Clarifying the Commission's authority to resolve certain cases;
- Including a section authorizing the Commission to terminate persistently non-filing committees.

In addition, the proposed amendments contain various minor citational, grammatical, and conforming changes including: updating the Commission's hours of operation and its official address; updating and eliminating outdated statutory references; amending titles of Commission employees to align with current Commission leadership structure; and amending language to ensure consistent terminology across sections and with recent statutory changes.

Statement of the purposes for which the regulation is proposed. (See CGS Sec. 4-168(a)(1)(C))

The proposed regulation amendments objective is to revise the Commission's regulations governing its organizational structure including its current address, updating and amending its rules of practice, and replacing outdated General Statutes references. A majority of the changes were made to regulations which have not been updated since the 1980s and 1990s.

Statutory authority (See CGS Sec. 4-168(a)(1)(D))

Section 9-7b(14) of the Connecticut General Statutes.

When, where and how to obtain a copy of the small business impact statement and, if applicable, the regulatory flexibility analysis required pursuant to Sec. 4-168a. (See CGS Sec. 4-168(a)(1)(E))

A copy of the proposed regulation, the fiscal note, and the regulatory flexibility analysis are available for inspection at the State Elections Enforcement Commission, located at 55 Farmington Avenue, 8th Floor, Hartford, CT 06105, or by requesting a copy of the same by email at SEEC.Compliance@ct.gov, or by viewing the same on the Commission's website's homepage: <https://portal.ct.gov/seec>, or by viewing the CT eRegulations Portal on the website of the Secretary of State: <https://eregulations.ct.gov/eRegsPortal/Browse/ProposedRegulations>.

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When, where and how interested persons may present their views on the proposed regulation

(See CGS Sec. 4-168(a)(1)(F))

All interested parties who wish to submit comments may do so via writing, up through the closing date of the comment period listed above. Such comments may be submitted in writing through the CT eRegulations Portal on the Secretary of the State's website, <https://eregulations.ct.gov/eRegsPortal/Browse/ProposedRegulations>, or via email by sending their comment to SEEC.Compliance@ct.gov

SEEC will hold a public hearing on the proposed regulations on Wednesday, September 3, 2025 at 11:30 a.m. after its regular Commission meeting. Please see <https://portal.ct.gov/seec/> for details.

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