



## 2005 ASSEMBLY BILL 1187

April 21, 2006 – Introduced by Representatives BIES, KRAWCZYK, DAVIS, GUNDERSON, HAHN, KESTELL, KREIBICH, LEHMAN, MURSAU, PETROWSKI, PETTIS, TOWNS, TURNER, M. WILLIAMS, WOOD and MEYER. Referred to Committee on Campaigns and Elections.

1     **AN ACT** *to amend* 11.20 (4); and *to create* 11.20 (8) (bm) and (cm) of the statutes;  
2             **relating to:** filing requirements for candidates for partisan state office under  
3             the campaign finance law.

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***Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau***

Currently, with limited exemptions, registrants under the campaign finance law must file continuing campaign finance reports on a semiannual basis. In addition, registrants may be subject to other filing requirements if they engage in financial activity with respect to an election.

This bill provides that each candidate for a partisan state office must file an additional continuing report in April and October of each odd-numbered year and in April of each even-numbered year unless exempted from the filing requirement under current law.

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***The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:***

4             **SECTION 1.** 11.20 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:  
5             11.20 (4) Continuing reports under s. 11.06 (1) by committees or individuals  
6             supporting or opposing candidates for office, including committees of a political

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1 party, and by individuals, groups or corporations supporting or opposing a  
2 referendum shall be received by the appropriate filing officer no earlier than January  
3 1 and no later than January 31; and no earlier than July 1 and no later than July 20.  
4 In addition, continuing reports under s. 11.06 (1) by candidates for partisan state  
5 office or their personal campaign committees shall be received by the appropriate  
6 filing officer no earlier than April 1 and no later than April 20, and no earlier than  
7 October 1 and no later than October 20 in each odd-numbered year; and no earlier  
8 than April 1 and no later than April 20 in each even-numbered year. Individuals,  
9 committees, groups and corporations to which s. 11.055 (1) applies shall pay the fee  
10 imposed under that subsection with their continuing reports filed in January of each  
11 year.

12 **SECTION 2.** 11.20 (8) (bm) and (cm) of the statutes are created to read:

13 11.20 (8) (bm) March 31 in the case of the continuing report required by April  
14 20.

15 (cm) September 30 in the case of the continuing report required by October 20.

16 **SECTION 3. Initial applicability.**

17 (1) This act first applies with respect to the filing of reports for reporting periods  
18 that begin on or after the effective date of this subsection.

19 (END)