



## NOTICE OF TEXT

### [Authority G.S. 150B-21.2(c)]

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1. Rule-Making Agency: [State Board of Elections](#)

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2. Link to agency website pursuant to G.S. 150B-19.1(c): <https://www.ncsbe.gov/about-elections/legal-resources/rulemaking>

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3. Proposed Action -- Check the appropriate box(es) and list rule citation(s) beside proposed action:

ADOPTION:

AMENDMENT: [08 NCAC 21 .0203](#)

REPEAL:

READOPTION with substantive changes:

READOPTION without substantive changes:

REPEAL through READOPTION:

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4. Proposed effective date: [01/01/2027](#)

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5. Is a public hearing planned? [Yes](#)

If yes:

Date	Time	Location
<a href="#">08/03/2026</a>	<a href="#">10:00 am</a>	<a href="#">State Board of Elections, Dobbs Building, 430 N. Salisbury St., Raleigh, NC 27603</a>

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6. If no public hearing is scheduled, provide instructions on how to demand a public hearing:

**7. Explain Reason For Proposed Rule(s):**

Pursuant to G.S. 163-278.10A, candidate committees for county office, municipal office, local school board, and soil and water conservation district, as well political party committees, may be exempt from filing campaign finance disclosure reports if the committee determines that it does not intend to receive in contributions or in loans or spend more than \$1,000 during the election cycle. If a political committee intends to stay under the threshold in G.S. 163-278.10A for a subsequent election cycle, the treasurer is required to file a new certification of threshold with the board of elections. The proposed amendment changes the deadline for filing the certification from January 31 to March 31.

**8. Procedure for Subjecting a Proposed Rule to Legislative Review:** If an objection is not resolved prior to the adoption of the rule, a person may also submit written objections to the Rules Review Commission. If the Rules Review Commission receives written and signed objections in accordance with G.S. 150B-21.3(b2) from 10 or more persons clearly requesting review by the legislature and the Rules Review Commission approves the rule, the rule will become effective as provided in G.S. 150B-21.3(b1). The Commission will receive written objections until 5:00 p.m. on the day following the day the Commission approves the rule. The Commission will receive those objections by mail, delivery service, hand delivery, or email. If you have any further questions concerning the submission of objections to the Commission, please call a Commission staff attorney at 984-236-1850.

**Rule(s) is automatically subject to legislative review. Cite statutory reference:**

**9. The person to whom written comments may be submitted on the proposed rule(s):**

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[Comments may be submitted online at https://www.ncsbe.gov/about-elections/legal-resources/rulemaking](https://www.ncsbe.gov/about-elections/legal-resources/rulemaking)

**10. Comment Period Ends: 08/31/2026**

**11. Fiscal impact. Does any rule or combination of rules in this notice create an economic impact? Check all that apply.**

[No fiscal note required](#)

**12. Rule-making Coordinator:**

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**13. The Agency formally proposed the text of this rule(s) on**

**Date: 05/20/2026**

1 08 NCAC 21 .0203 is proposed for amendment as follows:

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3 **08 NCAC 21 .0203 CERTIFICATION OF THRESHOLD**

4 (a) A political committee that intends to stay within the threshold in G.S. 163-278.10A for a subsequent election cycle  
5 shall file a certification with the board of elections according to the following schedule:

6 (1) for a candidate committee with an election cycle ending on December 31 of an odd-numbered year,  
7 by ~~January~~March 31 of the next even-numbered year.

8 (2) for a candidate committee with an election cycle ending on December 31 of an even-numbered year,  
9 by ~~January~~March 31 of the next odd-numbered year.

10 (3) for a political party committee or affiliated party committee with an election cycle ending on  
11 December 31 of an even-numbered year, by ~~January~~March 31 of the next odd-numbered year.

12 (b) A political committee that fails to file the certification by the due date in Paragraph (a) of this Rule, shall be  
13 responsible for filing all reports required in G.S. 163-278.9 or G.S. 163-278.40B, G.S. 163-278.40C, G.S. 163-  
14 278.40D, or G.S. 163-278.40E for the subsequent election cycle.

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16 *History Note: Authority G.S. 163-278.10A; 163-278.21;*

17 *Eff. September 1, ~~2021~~2021;*

18 *Amended Eff. January 1, 2027.*

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