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AGENDA

Date and Time: 10:00 a.m. on Friday, February 2, 2007
Location: Texas Workforce Commission, 101 E. 15th Street, Conference Room #244, Austin, Texas

1. Call to order; roll call.
2. Communication to the commission from the public.
3. Comments by the commissioners.
4. Comments by the executive director.
5. Approve minutes of the November 27, 2006, meeting.
6. Briefing, discussion, and possible action to waive or reduce certain penalties assessed for late filing of campaign finance reports, lobby reports, or personal financial statements.
7. Briefing, discussion, and possible action to waive or reduce late-filing penalties in connection with certain corrected reports or to determine whether certain corrected reports as originally filed substantially complied with the applicable law.

Discussion and possible action in response to the following Advisory Opinion Request:

8. AOR-537: The Texas Ethics Commission has been asked to consider whether an incorporated local organization that is a member of an incorporated statewide organization may make donations to charities that match the amount of political contributions made by individual members of the local organization to the statewide organization's general-purpose political committee.

This opinion construes section 253.100 of the Election Code.

9. Public discussion and possible action on the adoption and publication in the Texas Register of Ethics Commission Rule § 20.62 (Reporting Staff Reimbursement), regarding the reporting of a political expenditure made out of personal funds by a staff member of either a candidate or political committee.

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10. Public discussion and possible action on the adoption and publication in the Texas Register of an amendment to Ethics Commission Rule § 24.1 (Corporations and Certain Associations Covered) relating to the Texas Business Organizations Code.
11. Public discussion and possible action on the adoption and publication in the Texas Register of an amendment to Ethics Commission Rule § 50.1 (Legislative Per Diem) relating to the legislative per diem required to be set under Article III, Section 24a, of the Texas Constitution.
12. Adjourn.

CERTIFICATION: I certify that I have reviewed this document and that it conforms to all applicable Texas Register filing requirements.

Certifying Official: David A. Reisman, Executive Director

Agency Liaison: Natalia Luna Ashley, General Counsel

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