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## HOUSE BILL No. 1256

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DIGEST OF HB 1256 (Updated January 14, 2026 11:16 am - DI 140)

**Citations Affected:** IC 3-9.

**Synopsis:** Campaign finance reports of local candidates. Requires the circuit court clerk of each county to place a copy of each campaign finance report, notice, or other instrument filed with the county election board on the circuit court clerk's or county election board's website in portable document format.

**Effective:** July 1, 2026.

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January 5, 2026, read first time and referred to Committee on Elections and Apportionment.  
January 14, 2026, reported — Do Pass.

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Second Regular Session of the 124th General Assembly (2026)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2025 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning elections.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1        SECTION 1. IC 3-9-5-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.240-2025,  
2 SECTION 20, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
3 JULY 1, 2026]: Sec. 4. **(a)** The following persons, whenever required  
4 to file a report, notice, or other instrument by this article, shall file it  
5 with the county election board of each county comprising part of the  
6 affected election district:

7            (1) Candidates for local office and their candidate's committees.  
8            (2) Candidates for school board office and their candidate's  
9            committees.  
10           (3) Regular party committees that are not required to file with the  
11           election division.  
12           (4) Political action committees that are not required to file with the  
13           election division.

14           **(b) The circuit court clerk of each county shall place a copy of**  
15           **each report, notice, or other instrument filed with the county**  
16           **election board on the circuit court clerk's or county election**  
17           **board's website in portable document format not later than seven**

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1       **(7) days after the later of the following:**  
2           **(1) The due date of the report, notice, or other instrument that**  
3           **is filed.**  
4           **(2) The date the report, notice, or other instrument is actually**  
5           **filed.**



## COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Elections and Apportionment, to which was referred House Bill 1256, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1256 as introduced.)

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Committee Vote: Yeas 12, Nays 0

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