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Statement of Justification and Reasons for Adoption of Temporary Rules

Office of the Secretary of State Rules Concerning Campaign and Political Finance 8 CCR 1505-6

May 4, 2018

Rule: 18.2.4

In accordance with Colorado campaign and political finance laws,¹ the Secretary of State finds that certain amendments to the existing campaign and political finance rules must be adopted and effective immediately to ensure the uniform and proper administration and enforcement of Colorado campaign and political finance laws during the 2018 election cycle. Temporary adoption is necessary both to comply with law and to preserve the public welfare generally.

Adoption of these rules on a temporary basis is necessary to provide clear guidance to interested parties, including, but not limited to: candidates, political parties, political organizations, and committees, given the close proximity of the June 26, 2018 Primary Election.

For these reasons, and in accordance with the State Administrative Procedure Act, the Secretary of State finds that adoption and immediate effect of the amendments to existing campaign and political finance rules is imperatively necessary to comply with state and federal law and to promote public interests.²

² Section 24-4-103(3)(6), C.R.S. (2017).

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¹ Article XXVIII, Section 9(1)(b), of the Colorado Constitution and section 1-45-111.5(1), C.R.S. (2017).