STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

September 2, 2026

Introduced by COMMITTEE ON RULES -- (at request of M. of A. Dinowitz) -- read once and referred to the Committee on Election Law

AN ACT to amend the election law, in relation to the timing for payment of public campaign matching funds for a general election

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subdivision 3 of section 14-205 of the election law, as added by section 6 of part OO of chapter 55 of the laws of 2025, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The PCFB shall schedule payment dates as follows: for the primary election period, one payment no later than one week after the deadline to accept or decline designations for the primary election, and at least four payments prior to the primary date; for the general election period, one payment **no earlier then July ninth and** no later than July [~~first~~] **eleventh**, at least one additional payment in July, at least one payment in August, at least two payments in September, at least two payments in October, at least one payment in November, and at least one payment in December; and for any other covered election, a minimum of three payment days within the thirty days prior to such covered election. If any of such payments**, except the first payment for the general election,** would require payment on a weekend or federal holiday, payment shall be made on the next business day. A certification pursuant to paragraph (d) of subdivision one of section 14-203 of this title shall be required to have been filed with the PCFB no later than fifteen business days prior to the payment date on which a participating candidate is eligible to receive public funds pursuant to this subdivision. For purposes of such payment dates, the PCFB shall provide each candidate with a written determination specifying the basis for any non-payment and a report of all contributions accepted and matched with public funds.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in **italics** (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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