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## AGENDA

Date and Time:10:00 a.m. on Friday, April 13, 2007Location: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 February 2, 2007, 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.
- 8. Discussion and possible action regarding the termination of campaign treasurer appointments of inactive candidates and inactive political committees.

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

9. 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.

10. Public discussion and possible action on the proposal and publication in the Texas Register of Ethics Commission Rule § 20.56 (Reporting a Pledge), relating to the reporting of a political contribution in the form of a pledge.

For more information, contact David A. Reisman, Executive Director, at (512) 463-5800

11. 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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