

## Recent Change to the LAEA

Bill 54 received Royal Assent on May 15, 2025, creating the *Election Statutes Amendment Act, 2025*. This Act makes changes to many pieces of Alberta's legislation surrounding elections, including the *Local Authorities Election Act*.

**This new change impacts ALL potential candidates so please be sure to familiarize yourself with the impact of this amendment.**

Now, all local municipal and school board candidates across Alberta and third-party advertisers **MUST** report their campaign finances by **September 30 of the election year**, in advance of the October Election. This approach will be consistent with requirements for local political parties in Calgary and Edmonton that were introduced through regulatory amendments related to the *Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act, 2025*.

For more information, please visit the Government of Alberta's webpage related to the *Election Statutes Amendment Act, 2025*: [Improving consistency and fairness in Alberta's democratic processes | Alberta.ca](#)

Or, the informational outline created by GOA which highlights all changes implemented by the Act: [Election Statutes Amendment Act, 2025](#)