



**New York State Board of Elections
Public Campaign Finance Board
PROPOSED RESOLUTION 23-02**

Resolution Approving the Public Campaign Finance Board's Request for Appropriations to the Governor and Division of Budget, Pursuant to Section 14-207(2) of the Election Law

WHEREAS, New York State Election Law section 14-207 (2) requires the Public Campaign Finance Board to "submit to the governor and the division of budget a request of appropriations for the next state fiscal year to fully support the administration of the public campaign finance program..."; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to our proposed regulation, "such requests shall be forwarded to the Speaker of the Assembly, Majority Leader of the Senate, and to the Minority Leaders of each house."; and

WHEREAS, on October 17, 2023, the State Board of Elections Co-Executive Directors submitted an electronic copy of the SBOE and PCFB budget request for Fiscal Year 24-25 in response to the Division of Budget's, September 23, 2023, call letter; and

WHEREAS, the Co-Executive Directors included in the SBOE budget request, the draft proposed request for the Public Campaign Finance Board which is subject to the approval of the Public Campaign Finance Board"; and

WHEREAS, per Part ZZZ of Chapter 55 of the Laws of 2020, the Public Campaign Finance Program took effect on November 9, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Public Campaign Finance Board is required to hire and retain numerous employees to design, implement, and carry out the functions of the Public Campaign Finance Program; and

WHEREAS, systems and infrastructure, including necessary software and hardware, is necessary to implement and carryout the Public Campaign Finance Program; and

WHEREAS, in SFY 24-25 budget, the PCFB is requesting an appropriation of \$14,547,892 which represents a flat appropriation from SFY 23-24, of which \$8,397,000 is requested for personal service funds accounting for one hundred eighteen full time equivalent employees; and

WHEREAS, in SFY 23-24, the PCFB is requesting an appropriation of \$14,547,892, of which \$6,150,000 is requested for non-personal service including but not limited to contractual services, software acquisition and development and infrastructure buildout costs;

WHEREAS, the PCFB is requesting \$25 M be appropriated to the NYS Campaign Finance fund for which payments will begin in May 2024. The program has a participation cut-off date of February 26, 2024, in which an accurate maximum payment amount can be determined.

WHEREAS, the PCFB is requesting reappropriations of \$6.1 M for software acquisition, and \$25M for the campaign finance fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that the Public Campaign Finance Board approves the SFY 24/25 budget request of \$14,547,892 to cover the SFY 24/254 administrative needs of the PCFB, and approves the SFY 24/25 budget request of \$25,000,000 to finance the Campaign Finance Fund; and the reappropriation of \$31.1 M from SFY 23-34.; and further

BE IT RESOLVED: a copy of this resolution and accompanying budget request be sent to the governor, the division of budget, the leaders of the state senate and the state assembly.