

IN ACCORDANCE WITH REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE STATE BOARD, THE LOCAL BOARD SHALL:

(1) CONDUCT THE RECOUNT AND CERTIFY THE OFFICIAL RESULT OF THE ELECTION OR QUESTION WHICH IS THE SUBJECT OF THE RECOUNT; AND

(2) ENSURE THE PUBLIC'S ABILITY TO BE PRESENT WHILE THE RECOUNT IS CONDUCTED.

(B) STATE BOARD TO MONITOR CONDUCT OF RECOUNT.

THE STATE BOARD SHALL MONITOR AND SUPPORT THE WORK OF ANY LOCAL BOARD CONDUCTING A RECOUNT TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THIS SUBTITLE.

(C) TERMINATION OF RECOUNT.

THE STATE BOARD SHALL ESTABLISH A PROCEDURE THAT WILL ALLOW PETITIONERS AND COUNTERPETITIONERS TO REQUEST THAT A RECOUNT BE TERMINATED PRIOR TO ITS COMPLETION.

(D) CORRECTION OF RETURNS.

WHEN A RECOUNT IS COMPLETED, THE LOCAL BOARD, AND WHEN APPROPRIATE THE STATE BOARD, SHALL CORRECT THE PRIMARY, GENERAL, OR SPECIAL ELECTION RETURNS AND CERTIFICATES THAT WERE MADE BY A CANVASSING BOARD.

12-107. COSTS.

(A) DEFINITION.

IN THIS SECTION, "PETITIONER" INCLUDES A COUNTERPETITIONER.

(B) GENERALLY.

(1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, EACH PETITIONER SHALL PAY THE COST OF A RECOUNT REQUESTED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE AND THE PETITIONER'S BOND IS LIABLE FOR THE COST.

(2) THE PETITIONER IS NOT LIABLE FOR THE COSTS OF THE RECOUNT IF:

(I) THE OUTCOME OF THE ELECTION IS CHANGED; OR

(II) THE PETITIONER HAS GAINED A NUMBER OF VOTES, FOR THE PETITIONER'S CANDIDACY OR FOR OR AGAINST THE QUESTION THAT IS THE SUBJECT OF THE PETITION, EQUAL TO 2% OR MORE OF THE TOTAL VOTES CAST FOR THE OFFICE OR ON THE QUESTION, IN ALL PRECINCTS BEING RECOUNTED.

(C) PAYMENT BY COUNTY.

IF THE PETITIONER IS NOT LIABLE FOR THE COSTS OF THE RECOUNT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, A COUNTY SHALL PAY THE COSTS OF THE RECOUNT IN THAT COUNTY.