

(3) on request of a member of the General Assembly, issue an advisory opinion regarding the legislative ethics of an action taken or contemplated to be taken by the member;

(4) on its own motion, issue advisory opinions as it deems necessary;

(5) at the request of the President or the Speaker, make recommendations concerning matters referred to the Committee;

(6) as it deems necessary, issue guidelines and establish procedures for the implementation of the rules of legislative ethics; and

(7) maintain public records as the rules require.

(B) (1) THE COMMITTEE SHALL MAINTAIN THE STATEMENTS FILED BY MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY UNDER TITLE 15, SUBTITLE 5 OF THIS ARTICLE AND, DURING NORMAL OFFICE HOURS, MAKE THE STATEMENTS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC FOR EXAMINATION AND COPYING.

(2) THE COMMITTEE SHALL MAINTAIN A RECORD OF:

(I) THE NAME AND HOME ADDRESS OF EACH INDIVIDUAL WHO EXAMINES OR COPIES A STATEMENT FILED WITH THE COMMITTEE BY A MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; AND

(II) THE NAME OF THE MEMBER WHOSE STATEMENT WAS EXAMINED OR COPIED.

(3) ON THE REQUEST OF THE MEMBER WHOSE STATEMENT WAS EXAMINED OR COPIED, THE COMMITTEE SHALL FORWARD TO THE MEMBER A COPY OF THE RECORD MAINTAINED BY THE COMMITTEE UNDER PARAGRAPH (2)(I) OF THIS SUBSECTION.

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(a) (1) The Ethics Commission shall maintain the statements submitted under this subtitle and, during normal office hours, make the statements available to the public for examination and copying.

(2) The Ethics Commission may charge a reasonable fee and adopt administrative procedures for the examination and copying of a statement.

(b) (1) The Ethics Commission shall maintain a record of:

(i) the name and home address of each individual who examines or copies a statement under this section; and

(ii) the name of the individual whose statement was examined or copied.

(2) On the request of the individual whose statement was examined or copied, the Ethics Commission shall forward a copy of that record to that individual.