

[(iv)] (4) "Contribution" means any payment or transfer of money or property or the incurring of any liability or promise of anything of value to the treasurer of either a candidate or a continuing political committee.

[(v)] (5) "Contributor" means an individual or business entity that makes a contribution.

[(vi)] (6) "Elected official" means an individual who serves as Howard County Executive or as a member of the Howard County Council.

[(vii)] (7) "Political action committee" means a political committee that is not:

[1.] (I) A political party;

[2.] (II) A central committee;

[3.] (III) A slate; or

[4.] (IV) A political committee organized and operated by, and solely on behalf of, an individual running for any elective office or a slate.

[(viii)] (8) "Slate" means a group, combination, or organization of candidates created under the provisions of this article.

[(ix)] (9) "Treasurer" includes a subtreasurer.

[(2)] (B) Except as provided in [paragraph (3) of this] SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION, a contributor and an elected official are subject to the provisions of Title 15, Subtitle 8, Part VII of the State Government Article if a contributor makes a contribution to the treasurer of:

[(i)] (1) The candidate;

[(ii)] (2) A slate; or

[(iii)] (3) The candidate's political committee.

[(3)] (C) Title 15, Subtitle 8, Part VII of the State Government Article does not apply to a transfer by a political action committee to the treasurer of a candidate or a treasurer of the candidate's continuing political committee.

SUBTITLE 4. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.

[26-11.] 13-401. GENERALLY.

(a) A candidate for nomination or election to public or party office, including write-in candidates, and the treasurer designated by that candidate shall file the report or statement of contributions and expenditures as prescribed in accordance with [§ 26-12 of this article] § 13-402 OF THIS SUBTITLE with the board at which the candidate filed his certificate of candidacy. All reports or statements of contributions and expenditures shall be filed in duplicate except those filed with the State [Administrative] Board [of Election Laws]. Election reports as specified below are required by all candidates for public or party office whether or not the candidate's