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The said above required statement shall be a full, true and itemized statement in writing, which statement and duplicate shall be subscribed and sworn to by such candidate before an officer authorized to administer oaths, setting forth in detail all moneys or other valuable thing or things contributed, expended or promised by him to aid and promote, or in any way in connection with his nomination or election, or both, as the case may be, or for other political purposes in connection with the election of any other person at said election, and all existing unfulfilled promises or liabilities in that connection remaining uncanceled and in force at the time such statement is made, whether such expenditures, promises or liabilities were made or incurred before, during or after such election, and showing the dates when the person to whom, and the purposes for which each and all of said sums or valuable things were paid, expended or promised, or said liabilities incurred. Such statement shall also set forth that the same is as full and explicit as the affiant is able to make it. .

No person shall be deemed elected to any elective office under the laws of this State, or enter upon the duties thereof, or receive any salary or emoluments therefrom, until he shall have filed the statement provided for in this section of this article; and no officer authorized by the laws of this State to issue commissions or certificates of election shall issue a commission or certificate of election to any person claiming to be elected to any office, until such statement as aforesaid shall have been made, verified and filed by such person with such officer.

Any person violating or failing to comply with any of the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not less than three hundred dollars nor more than two thousand dollars, or imprisoned for not more than two years, or both fined and imprisoned, in the discretion of the Court.

Ten days after the period above ascertained for the filing of said original statement shall have expired the officer with whom the same is by this section required to be filed shall notify the proper prosecuting officer of his county or Baltimore City, as the case may be, of the failure to file such statement on the part of any candidate, and within fifteen days thereafter such prosecuting officer shall proceed to prosecute for such offense.

The provisions of this section, including the provisions with respect to the time of filing said reports, shall be mandatory and not directory and must be strictly performed as above prescribed.*

This section is not applicable to members of the state central committee, although they are subject to other provisions of the Corrupt Practices Act. *Usilton v. Bramble*, 117 Md. 15 (decided prior to the Act of 1912, chapter 228).

*Section 2 of the act of 1912, chapter 228, contains a very broad "saving" clause as to prior offenses, pending cases, etc.