

to nominate for or fill such office or place, make out and file with the officer empowered by law to issue the certificate of election to such office or place, and a duplicate thereof with the clerk of the Circuit Court for the county in which such candidate resides, or the clerk of the Circuit Court of Baltimore city, if such candidate resides in said city, 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 purpose 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. In cases where the office or place is such that no commission or certificate of election is required by law to issue therefor, then the original statement aforesaid shall be filed with the Secretary of State. 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 and duplicate 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 so 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 any failure to file such statement on the part of any candidate,