

YEAR after they are filed. And all such statements and accounts shall during the hours for which the office in which they may be filed is open, be subject and open to inspection of any citizen of this State, and copies of such statements or accounts certified by the principal administrative officer in whose office they may be so kept under the seal of his office shall be evidence in all the courts to the same extent as the original thereof would be if produced and proved.

26-15. *Perjury.*

Any wilfully false, fraudulent, or misleading statement or entry made by any candidate for office, treasurer, or subtreasurer, or by any member or officer of any political committee, in any statement or account under oath required by this article, shall constitute the crime of perjury, and be punishable as such according to the laws of this State.

26-16. *Offenses constituting prohibited practices.*

(a) *Enumerated.* The following persons shall be guilty of prohibited practices and shall be punished in accordance with the provisions of this section:

(1) *Offering bribe, etc.*—Every person who shall, directly or indirectly, by himself or by another, give or offer or promise to any person any money, gift, advantage, preferment, aid, emolument or any valuable thing whatever, for the purpose of inducing or procuring any person to vote, or refrain from voting, for or against any person, or for or against any measure of OR proposition at any election or political convention or for or against the election of any officer by the General Assembly of Maryland.

(2) *Accepting or soliciting bribe, etc.*—Every person who shall, directly or indirectly, receive, accept, request or solicit from any person, candidate, committee, association, organization or corporation, any money, gift, advantage, preferment, aid, emolument, or any valuable thing whatsoever, for the purpose of inducing or procuring any person to vote, or refrain from voting, for or against any person, or for or against any measure or proposition at any election or political convention.

(3) *Acting on bribe, etc.*—Every person who, in consideration of any money, gift, advantage, preferment, aid, emolument, or any valuable thing whatsoever, paid received, accepted, or promised to the advantage of himself or any other person, shall vote or refrain from voting for or against any person, or for or against any measure at any such election or political convention.

(4) *Making contribution other than to treasurer or subtreasurer.*—Every person who shall, directly or indirectly, pay, give, contribute or promise any money or other valuable thing, to defray, or towards defraying the costs or expenses of any campaign or election, to any person, committee, company, ~~club~~, organization or association, other than to a treasurer or a subtreasurer, but this subsection shall not apply to dues regularly paid for membership in any political club if all money expended by such club or in connection with the costs or expenses of any campaign or election shall be paid out by it only through a treasurer or subtreasurer as provided in this article, or for volunteered time or personal vehicles or personal advertising or costs