

(3) Investigatory files compiled for law enforcement purposes except to the extent available by law to a party other than an agency.

(4) Personnel and medical files and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

(5) Trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person and privileged or confidential.

(6) Other bodies and records specifically exempted from disclosure by statute.

(7) VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANIES.

(e) A body may exclude the public and hold its records inaccessible when it is considering any of the following matters:

(1) The dismissal, promotion, demotion, or compensation of any public employee, or the disciplining of such employee or investigating of charges against him, unless the employee affected shall have requested an open meeting.

(2) The hiring of any person as a public employee.

(3) Matters which, if discussed in public, would be likely to affect adversely the reputation of any person.

(4) Matters which, if discussed in public, would be likely to benefit a party whose interests are adverse to those of the general community. This provision shall include but not be limited to consideration of the acquisition of land.

(5) Provided that when a meeting is held at which matters covered by paragraphs (1), (2), (3), or (4) are considered or acted upon, and at which matters not covered by those paragraphs are also considered or acted upon this section shall not authorize exclusion of the public from or non-access of records of any portion of the meeting devoted to matters not so covered, and

(6) The results of any final action taken in executive session held pursuant to paragraphs (1), (2), (3), or (4) shall be made public.

(f) (D) Except as otherwise provided by law or in this act, all records of meetings held by bodies subject to this act, and all public records maintained or kept by any public or governmental body, board, commission or agency within Cecil County supported in whole or in part by public funds, shall be open for inspection and copying at the applicant's expense, and with reasonable comforts and facilities. If the record is in active use or in storage and, therefore, not available at the time a citizen asks to examine it, the custodian shall certify this fact in writing to the applicant and set a date and hour within a reasonable time at which the record will be available for the exercise of the right given by this act.

(g) (E) Any member of a body who willfully participates in any meeting which violates this Article, knowing the meeting to constitute such a violation, or any person who withholds records knowing such withholding of records constitutes a violation, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable upon conviction by a fine of not more than \$500.00.