

(1) TO RECOMMEND TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE, FROM TIME TO TIME, SUCH FORMS AS IT MAY DEEM ADVISIBLE FOR USE IN THE FILING OF THE STATEMENTS REQUIRED BY THIS SUBTITLE, WITH INITIAL RECOMMENDATIONS TO BE MADE NO LATER THAN THE 1ST DAY OF DECEMBER IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SUBTITLE;

(2) TO INVESTIGATE COMPLAINTS OF ALLEGED VIOLATIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE;

(3) TO REPORT VIOLATIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE, WITH APPROPRIATE NOTICE THEREOF TO THE PERSON SO CHARGED, TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL;

(4) TO ISSUE, UPON WRITTEN REQUEST OF ANY PERSON REQUIRED TO FILE A STATEMENT UNDER THIS SUBTITLE, ADVISORY OPINIONS WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATTER IN WHICH SUCH PERSON IS INVOLVED CONCERNING THE APPLICABILITY OF THIS SUBTITLE, BUT NO SUCH OPINION SHALL BE MADE PUBLIC WITHOUT THE CONSENT OF THE PERSON REQUESTING THE OPINION;

(5) TO ISSUE AND PUBLISH, UPON WRITTEN REQUEST OF ANY OTHER PERSON, SUCH ADVISORY OPINIONS ON THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SUBTITLE AS IT MAY DEEM APPROPRIATE; AND

(6) TO ADOPT SUCH PROCEDURES AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT ITS FUNCTIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.

(C) UPON RECEIVING A REPORT OF VIOLATION OF THIS SUBTITLE FROM THE FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE ADVISORY BOARD, OR UPON RECEIVING A COMPLAINT, DEEMED BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO BE JUSTIFIED, OF SUCH VIOLATION FROM ANY OTHER SOURCE, THE ATTORNEY GENERAL SHALL FILE A PETITION IN THE APPROPRIATE CIRCUIT COURT FOR A MANDATORY INJUNCTION, ORDERING THE VIOLATOR TO TAKE SUCH ACTIONS AS WILL CURE THE VIOLATION. THE ATTORNEY GENERAL SHALL GIVE THE ALLEGED VIOLATOR NOTICE OF HIS DETERMINATION AND INTENTION TO FILE A PETITION AT LEAST FIFTEEN DAYS PRIOR TO FILING THE PETITION.

(D) THE EQUITY JURISDICTION OF THE VARIOUS CIRCUIT COURTS IS HEREBY DEEMED TO INCLUDE JURISDICTION TO ISSUE SUCH MANDATORY INJUNCTIONS AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO COMPEL COMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE, AND SUCH INJUNCTIONS SHALL BE ENFORCEABLE BY CONTEMPT PROCEEDINGS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS AND MARYLAND RULES RELATING TO CONTEMPT.

(E) THE STATE COMPTROLLER, UPON THE ISSUANCE OF ANY MANDATORY INJUNCTION AGAINST A PERSON SUBJECT TO THIS SUBTITLE, SHALL SUSPEND PAYMENT OF ANY SALARY OR OTHER COMPENSATION TO THAT PERSON PENDING FULL COMPLIANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THE INJUNCTION.