

~~ambulance association or bona fide volunteer rescue squad association; or a bona fide auxiliary or affiliate of any such organization, if all of its fund-raising activities are carried on by the members of the organization or an affiliate of it, and the members receive no compensation for performing these activities.~~

(8) A PARENTS AND TEACHERS ASSOCIATION AFFILIATED WITH ANY SCHOOL COVERED IN SUBSECTION (1), OR AFFILIATED WITH A LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION.

~~(9) A HOSPITAL AUXILIARY AFFILIATED WITH A HOSPITAL COVERED IN SUBSECTION (4).~~

~~(10) (9) A SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.~~

~~(b) A charitable organization claiming to be exempt from the registration provisions of this subtitle [and which is about to or does solicit charitable contributions shall initially] SHALL, AT LEAST 30 DAYS PRIOR TO MAKING ANY SOLICITATION OR AUTHORIZING OR ALLOWING ANY SOLICITATION TO BE MADE ON ITS BEHALF, submit to the Secretary of State on forms prescribed by him, the name, address, and purpose of the organization and a statement setting forth the reason for the claim for exemption. However, if a charitable organization has local elements in this State the charitable organization may submit, on behalf of its local elements, the name, address and purpose of the organization and its local elements and a statement setting forth the reason for the claim for the exemption. THE PRESIDENT, CHAIRMAN, OR OTHER PRINCIPLE OFFICER OF THE CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION IS PERSONALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR TIMELY FILING THE CLAIM FOR EXEMPTION. THE CLAIM SHALL BE ACCOMPANIED BY A SIGNED AFFIDAVIT. If exempted, the Secretary of State shall initially issue a letter of exemption which may be exhibited to the public. A registration fee is not required of an exempt organization.~~

~~(c) Hereinafter, a charitable organization shall certify to the Secretary of State, upon the initiative of the Secretary, a brief certification which shall state that the status of the charitable organization is unchanged. THE SECRETARY OF STATE MAY REQUEST SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION FROM THE CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION.~~

~~(d) THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL ISSUE AN EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE WHICH SHALL BE EXHIBITED TO THE PUBLIC ON REQUEST.~~

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~~(a) A charitable organization other than a charitable salvage organization may not pay or agree to pay as expenses in connection with any fund-raising activity a total amount in excess of 25 percent of the~~