

(h) "Docket" means a record maintained by the Secretary of State in which are registered the name, residence and occupation of the person employed, together with the name and business address of the employer, the date of employment or agreement thereof, the length of time the employment is to continue and the special subject or subjects of legislation to which the employment relates, together with other information hereinafter required.

(i) "General Assembly" includes any member, committee or subcommittee of the General Assembly or of the Legislative Policy Committee or any committee or subcommittee thereof.

(j) "Board" means the Maryland Public Disclosure Advisory Board established in § 29-7 of Article 33 of the Code.

(k) "Executive agency" means a commission, board, agency, or other body in the executive branch of the State government, and includes any independent body of the State government that is not a part of the legislative or judicial branch.

(l) "Gift" means a payment, subscription, advance, forbearance, rendering of money, services, or anything of value, unless consideration of equal or greater value is received. "Gift" does not include a political contribution otherwise reported as required by law; material such as books, reports, periodicals or pamphlets which are solely informational; a commercially reasonable loan made in the ordinary course of business; or a gift received from a member of the person's immediate family or from a relative within the third degree of consanguinity of the person or of the person's spouse or from the spouse of any such relative; or reasonable expenses for food, travel, lodging and scheduled entertainment of the official and spouse for a meeting which is given in return for participation in a panel or speaking engagement at the meeting.

(m) "Immediate family" means a spouse residing in the person's household and dependent children.

(n) "Legislative action" means introduction, sponsorship, consideration, debate, amendment, passage, defeat, approval, veto, or any other official action or nonaction on any bill, resolution, amendment, nomination, appointment, report, or any other matter pending or proposed in a committee or subcommittee in either house of the General Assembly, or any matter which is within the official jurisdiction of the General Assembly, the Legislative Policy Committee or any committee or subcommittee thereof, or any legislative bill pending or presented to the Governor for signature or veto.