

EXECUTIVE ORDERS

(D) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROHIBITED IN SUBPARAGRAPHS (B) AND (C) ABOVE, TO ACCEPT OR RECEIVE, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, ANY GIFT FROM ANY INDIVIDUAL OR ENTITY. EXCLUDED FROM THIS SUBPARAGRAPH (D) ARE:

(I) GIFTS FROM A PERSON RELATED BY BLOOD OR MARRIAGE, OR AN INTENDED SPOUSE, OR A MEMBER OF THE OFFICER'S OR EMPLOYEE'S HOUSEHOLD;

(II) GIFTS OR AWARDS OF A CEREMONIAL NATURE; GIFTS OR AWARDS RECEIVED UPON RETIREMENT FROM STATE EMPLOYMENT, OR IN RECOGNITION OF MERITORIOUS STATE SERVICE, OR IN RECOGNITION OF LENGTH OF STATE SERVICE; OR GIFTS OR AWARDS OF NOMINAL VALUE RECEIVED FROM FELLOW EMPLOYEES AT AN OFFICE PARTY;

(III) A COMMERCIALY REASONABLE LOAN MADE IN THE ORDINARY COURSE OF BUSINESS;

(IV) ADVERTISING, PROMOTIONAL, OR INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS SUCH AS PENS, PENCILS, NOTEPADS, OR OTHER SIMILAR ITEMS OF NOMINAL VALUE;

(V) FOOD OR REFRESHMENTS FOR CONSUMPTION ON THE PREMISES; AND REASONABLE EXPENSES FOR FOOD, TRAVEL, LODGING, AND SCHEDULED ENTERTAINMENT OF AN OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE AT A MEETING TO WHICH THE OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE HAS BEEN INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN A PANEL OR AS A SPEAKER;

(VI) GIFTS OF TICKETS OR FREE ADMISSION EXTENDED TO AN ELECTED CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICER TO ATTEND PROFESSIONAL OR INTERCOLLEGIATE SPORTING EVENTS OR CHARITABLE, CULTURAL, OR POLITICAL EVENTS, OR COURTESY OR HONORARY MEMBERSHIPS EXTENDED TO SUCH OFFICERS IN CHARITABLE, CULTURAL, SOCIAL, OR POLITICAL ORGANIZATIONS, IF THE PURPOSE OF SUCH GIFT, ADMISSION, OR MEMBERSHIP IS A COURTESY OR CEREMONY EXTENDED TO THE OFFICE.

(E) NOTHING IN THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL BE INTERPRETED OR CONSTRUED TO EXTEND OR APPLY TO THE SOLICITATION, ACCEPTANCE, RECEIPT, OR REGULATION OF POLITICAL CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS REGULATED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 33, §§ 26-1 ET SEQ., OR ANY OTHER PROVISION OF STATE LAW REGULATING THE CONDUCT OF ELECTIONS OR THE RECEIPT OF POLITICAL CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS.

(F) THE BOARD OF ETHICS BY WRITTEN ORDER MAY SUSPEND THE OPERATION OF THIS SECTION, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, WITH RESPECT TO ANY PARTICULAR GIFT OR CLASS OF GIFTS, OR WITH RESPECT TO ANY PARTICULAR STATE OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE OR CLASS THEREOF, UPON A FINDING THAT THE ACCEPTANCE OF A PARTICULAR GIFT OR CLASS OF GIFTS WOULD NOT BE DETRIMENTAL TO THE IMPARTIAL CONDUCT OF THE BUSINESS OF THE STATE.