

(B) DISTRIBUTION OF REPORTS.

AN OFFICIAL OR UNIT:

(1) SHALL SUBMIT TO THE DEPARTMENT 5 COPIES OF EACH REPORT THAT THE OFFICIAL OR UNIT INTENDS TO DISTRIBUTE TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; AND

(2) MAY GIVE THE REPORT TO A MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ONLY IF:

(I) THE PRESIDENT AND THE SPEAKER HAVE GIVEN WRITTEN APPROVAL FOR DISTRIBUTION OF THE REPORT TO EACH MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; OR

(II) THE MEMBER ASKS FOR THE REPORT.

(C) DEPARTMENTAL LISTS.

THE DEPARTMENT SHALL:

(1) KEEP A LIST OF THE PUBLICATIONS OF THE OFFICIALS AND UNITS;

(2) PERIODICALLY SEND THE LIST TO EACH MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; AND

(3) ON REQUEST OF A MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, OBTAIN A PUBLICATION OF AN OFFICIAL OR UNIT FOR THE MEMBER.

(D) COLLECTION; PRESERVATION; INDEXING.

(1) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL INDEX AND PRESERVE THE PUBLICATIONS THAT OFFICIALS AND UNITS SUBMIT AS REQUIRED BY LAW.

(2) THE DEPARTMENT MAY COLLECT, INDEX, AND PRESERVE ANY OTHER PUBLICATION THAT THE DEPARTMENT CONSIDERS NECESSARY.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 40, § 51(d) through (f).

In subsection (a) of this section, the former reference to publications "required by law" is deleted, since reference to the specific basis for the intent to distribute the publication to the General Assembly is unnecessary. This deletion avoids the ambiguity in the first sentence of former Art. 40, § 51(d), which could be read to require a list of those publications that are required by law, but that are not intended for distribution to the General Assembly. The Department indicates that this reading was unintended.