

children living with him] THE LEGISLATOR AND A MEMBER OF THE LEGISLATOR'S IMMEDIATE FAMILY (SPOUSE AND CHILDREN LIVING WITH THE LEGISLATOR), together or separately, own more than 10 percent of the invested capital or capital stock.

(4) Details of any contractual relationship with the State or a State agency, including the subject matter and the consideration.

(5) Details of any transaction with the State involving a monetary consideration, excluding those enumerated by the Committee in the guidelines established pursuant to this title.

(g) All reports filed under subsection (f) shall be a matter of public record.

(h) (1) A legislator in doubt as to the propriety of any action proposed to be taken by [him] THE LEGISLATOR and involving a possible [conflict of interest under this title] VIOLATION OF APPLICABLE STANDARDS OF ETHICAL CONDUCT FOR LEGISLATORS ESTABLISHED BY LAW OR RULE may request IN WRITING THAT the Committee [to] render an advisory opinion on the facts. The advisory opinion, with deletions and changes necessary to protect the legislator's identity, shall be filed with the presiding officer of the legislator's branch of the legislature for recordation with the Clerk of the House of Delegates or Secretary of the Senate[; and the]. IN ADDITION, THE COMMITTEE ON ITS OWN MOTION MAY RENDER ADVISORY OPINIONS AS IT DEEMS NECESSARY. EACH advisory opinion shall be kept and indexed in relation to the subject matter for the purpose of building a body of case law.

(2) EITHER PRESIDING OFFICER MAY REFER ANY QUESTION OF PROPRIETY RELATING TO THE USE OF EXPENSE FUNDS GOVERNED BY DULY ADOPTED GUIDELINES TO THE COMMITTEE FOR RECOMMENDATION.

(i) Any person may file with the Committee a written statement, accompanied by an affidavit[, charging a violation of the provisions of this title. The Committee on its own may file a complaint alleging a violation of the provisions of this section. The statement is confidential, and neither its contents nor the fact that it has been filed may be made public, unless a report thereon is made pursuant to subsection (1)] SETTING FORTH THE FACTS UPON WHICH THE STATEMENT IS BASED, OR THE COMMITTEE ON ITS OWN MAY PREPARE A STATEMENT, ALLEGING THAT A MEMBER MAY HAVE VIOLATED STANDARDS OF ETHICAL CONDUCT FOR LEGISLATORS ESTABLISHED BY LAW OR RULE.

[(j) The Committee shall make a preliminary investigation of the charges in the statement.

(k) (1) If the Committee determines after the preliminary investigation that there has been no violation of this title the matter is closed, and the proceedings may not be made public unless the legislator, in writing, so requests.