

(b) Investigating Committee. The House of Delegates or the Senate, after receiving the report, may establish by Resolution an Investigating Committee under the subtitle "Legislative Investigating Committees: Code of Fair Procedures" in Article 40 of the Annotated Code of Maryland.]

(D) FINDINGS. BASED UPON THE RECORD COMPILED AT THE HEARING, THE COMMITTEE SHALL MAKE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING FINDINGS:

(1) THERE IS NO CAUSE FOR FURTHER PROCEEDINGS BECAUSE THERE IS NO PROBABLE CAUSE TO BELIEVE THAT A VIOLATION MAY HAVE OCCURRED;

(2) THERE IS PROBABLE CAUSE TO BELIEVE THAT A VIOLATION MAY HAVE OCCURRED BUT FURTHER PROCEEDINGS ARE NOT JUSTIFIED BECAUSE:

(I) ANY VIOLATION THAT MAY HAVE OCCURRED IS NOT WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE COMMITTEE;

(II) ANY VIOLATION THAT MAY HAVE OCCURRED WAS INADVERTENT, TECHNICAL, OR MINOR, OR HAS BEEN CURED, AND, AFTER CONSIDERATION OF ALL OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES, FURTHER PROCEEDINGS WOULD NOT SERVE THE PURPOSES OF THESE RULES; OR

(III) FOR OTHER REASONS, AFTER CONSIDERATION OF ALL OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES, FURTHER PROCEEDINGS WOULD NOT SERVE THE PURPOSES OF THESE RULES.

(3) FURTHER PROCEEDINGS ARE JUSTIFIED.

112. REPORT TO PRESIDING OFFICER.

PROMPTLY UPON MAKING A FINDING PURSUANT TO RULE 111(D), THE COMMITTEE SHALL SUBMIT A WRITTEN REPORT OF ITS PROCEEDINGS, INCLUDING ITS FINDING, TO THE PRESIDING OFFICER OF THE BRANCH OF THE LEGISLATURE OF WHICH THE LEGISLATOR IS A MEMBER.

113. ACTION OF THE PRESIDING OFFICER.

(A) REVIEW. THE PRESIDING OFFICER SHALL REVIEW EACH REPORT SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO RULE 112.

(B) TERMINATION OF PROCEEDINGS. IF THE REPORT CONTAINS A FINDING UNDER RULE 111(D)(1), THE PROCEEDINGS SHALL BE TERMINATED.

(C) FORWARDING FOR FURTHER PROCEEDINGS - DISCRETIONARY. IF THE REPORT CONTAINS A FINDING UNDER RULE 111(D)(2) AND:

(1) IF THE PRESIDING OFFICER AGREES WITH THE FINDING CONTAINED IN THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE, THE PROCEEDINGS SHALL BE TERMINATED.