

from the public in excess of [\$5,000] \$25,000 during the year for which a registration statement and [financial] ANNUAL report would otherwise be required, if (i) all of its fund-raising activities are carried on by persons who are unpaid for their services, and (ii) no part of its assets or income inures to the benefit of or is paid to any officer or member of the organization.

[(4) A nonprofit and charitable hospital or related institution which is required by law to file financial reports at least annually with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene or an agency of it. However, the hospital shall file with the Secretary of State a copy of the annual fiscal report most recently filed with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.

(5)] (3) An organization which solicits only from among its members. A person who is granted a membership upon making a contribution as the result of solicitation is not a member for purposes of this exemption. IN THE CASE OF AN ACCREDITED SCHOOL, COLLEGE, OR UNIVERSITY, THE STUDENTS, ALUMNI, THEIR PARENTS, PAST AND PRESENT BOARD MEMBERS, AND SCHOOL PERSONNEL SHALL BE CONSIDERED MEMBERS OF THE ORGANIZATION.

[(6)] (4) A bona fide religious organization, its parent, or a school affiliated with it, if the religious organization, its parent, or the affiliated school has received a declaration of current tax-exempt status from the government of the United States.

[(7) A local post, camp, chapter, department, or similarly designated element, or a county unit of such elements of a bona fide veterans' organization or a bona fide community service organization which issues charters to local elements throughout the State; a bona fide community, civic, or improvement association; a bona fide fraternal or sororal organization; a bona fide organization of volunteer firemen; a bona fide volunteer ambulance association or bona fide volunteer rescue squad association; or a bona fide auxiliary or affiliate of any such organization, if all of its fund-raising activities are carried on by the members of the organizations or an affiliate of it, and the members receive no compensation for performing these activities.

(8) A parents and teachers association affiliated with any school covered in paragraph (1), or affiliated with a local board of education.

(9) A society for the prevention of cruelty to animals.]

[(b) A charitable organization claiming to be exempt from the registration provisions of this subtitle and which is about to or does solicit charitable contributions shall initially submit to the Secretary of State on forms prescribed by him, the name, address, and purpose of the organization and a statement