

(e) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law to the contrary, following the filing of a complaint, and unless and until the matter is referred for prosecution or a finding of a violation has been made, the proceedings, meetings, and activities of the Commission and its employees in connection with the complaint shall be conducted in a confidential manner. The Commission, its staff, the complainant, and the respondent shall not disclose any information relating to the complaint, including the identity of the complainant and the respondent, except that the Commission may release any information at any time if the release has been agreed to in writing by the respondent, and the identity of the complainant shall be disclosed to the respondent, at the request of the respondent, at any time.

(f) The Commission shall provide to the Commission on Judicial Disabilities or the Committee such information or assistance as either may request and which is not prohibited by law.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1985.

Approved May 28, 1985.

CHAPTER 655

(House Bill 779)

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Public Ethics Laws - Candidate - Statement Required

FOR the purpose of requiring candidates who file a certificate of candidacy for office as State officials to file the statement required by the Maryland Public Ethics Law for each year of candidacy prior to the year of the election; clarifying language; altering provisions relating to a candidate's failure failure to file a statement; and generally relating to the candidate statement requirements of the Maryland Public Ethics Law.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 40A - Maryland Public Ethics Law
Section 4-102
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1982 Replacement Volume and 1984 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows: