

REGISTRATION STATEMENT MAY SOLICIT THE PUBLIC BEFORE ~~THE~~ ~~ISSUANCE~~ ~~OF~~ ~~A~~ ~~CERTIFICATE~~ ~~OF~~ ~~REGISTRATION~~.

(2) A CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION MAY NOT SOLICIT THE PUBLIC FOR CONTRIBUTIONS IF ITS ~~APPLICATION--TO--REGISTER--AS--A~~ ~~CHARITABLE--ORGANIZATION~~ REGISTRATION HAS BEEN DENIED.

(3) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (4) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL DENY THE REGISTRATION OF A CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION THAT:

(I) HAS FAILED TO CORRECT DEFICIENCIES IN ITS REGISTRATION MATERIALS WITHIN 30 DAYS OF NOTIFICATION, OR A REASONABLE TIME PERIOD OF LONGER DURATION AS DETERMINED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE; OR

(II) HAS ENGAGED IN ANY PRACTICE UNLAWFUL UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

(4) THE SECRETARY OF STATE MAY DENY THE REGISTRATION OF A CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION THAT FAILS TO FILE IN A TIMELY MANNER A REGISTRATION STATEMENT REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

~~(4)~~ (5) (I) WITHIN 30 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF NOTIFICATION OF THE DENIAL, AN APPLICANT WHOSE APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION IS DENIED MAY REQUEST IN WRITING A HEARING BEFORE THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

(II) A HEARING SHALL BE HELD WITHIN 60 DAYS FROM THE DATE THE SECRETARY OF STATE RECEIVES THE REQUEST.

(6) (I) A CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION DENIED REGISTRATION UNDER THIS SUBSECTION MAY FILE A NEW REGISTRATION STATEMENT WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE AND REQUEST REMOVAL OF THE REGISTRATION DENIAL.

(II) THE SECRETARY OF STATE MAY REMOVE A REGISTRATION DENIAL IF:

1. THE NEW REGISTRATION STATEMENT COMPLIES WITH THIS SUBTITLE; AND

2. THE SECRETARY OF STATE CONCLUDES THAT REMOVAL OF THE DENIAL WILL NOT AFFECT ADVERSELY THE INTEGRITY OF CHARITABLE SOLICITATIONS IN THE STATE.

(III) THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL NOTIFY A CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION IN WRITING OF ITS DECISION CONCERNING THE REQUEST FOR REMOVAL OF A REGISTRATION DENIAL.

(IV) A CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION THAT REQUESTS REMOVAL OF A REGISTRATION DENIAL MAY NOT SOLICIT THE PUBLIC FOR CONTRIBUTIONS UNTIL THE SECRETARY OF STATE REMOVES THE DENIAL.