

~~{(b)}~~-~~(c)~~ (B) Unless a gift of any of the following would tend to impair the impartiality and the independence of judgment of the official or employee receiving it or, if of significant value, would give the appearance of doing so, or, if of significant value, the recipient official or employee believes, or has reason to believe, that it is designed to do so, subsection (a) does not apply to:

(1) Meals and beverages that are received by the recipient official or employee in the presence of the donor or sponsoring entity;

(2) Ceremonial gifts or awards which have insignificant monetary value;

(3) Unsolicited gifts of nominal value or trivial items of informational value;

(4) Reasonable expenses for food, travel, lodging, and scheduled entertainment of the official or employee for a meeting which is given in return for participation in a panel or speaking engagement at the meeting;

(5) Gifts of tickets or free admission extended to an elected constitutional officer to attend professional or intercollegiate sporting events or charitable, cultural, or political events, if the purpose of such gift or admission is a courtesy or ceremony extended to the office;

(6) A specific gift or class of gifts which the Commission exempts from the operation of this section upon a finding, in writing, that acceptance of the gift or class of gifts would not be detrimental to the impartial conduct of the business of government and that the gift is purely personal and private in nature;

(7) Gifts from a person related by blood or marriage, or a member of ~~his~~ THE OFFICIAL'S OR EMPLOYEE'S household; or

~~{(8)}~~--~~{Honoraria}~~--~~AS--TO--PUBLIC--OFFICIALS--AND--STATE~~
~~EMPLOYEES--HONORARIA-~~

(8) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION, HONORARIUM.

(C) (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, AN OFFICIAL MAY NOT ACCEPT AN HONORARIUM IF:

(1) THE PAYOR OF THE HONORARIUM HAS AN INTEREST THAT MAY BE SUBSTANTIALLY AND MATERIALLY AFFECTED, IN A MANNER DISTINGUISHABLE FROM THE PUBLIC GENERALLY, BY THE PERFORMANCE OR NONPERFORMANCE OF THE INDIVIDUAL'S OFFICIAL DUTY; AND