

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a lobbyist who is required to register under a specified provision of the Prince George's County Code, or a person acting on behalf of the lobbyist, from engaging in certain activities relating to fund-raising on behalf of a member of the County Council of Prince George's County, the County Executive of Prince George's County, or a candidate seeking election to the Council or as County Executive; prohibiting a lobbyist who is required to register under a specified provision of the Montgomery County Code, or a person acting on behalf of the lobbyist, from engaging in certain activities relating to fund-raising on behalf of a member of the County Council of Montgomery County, the County Executive of Montgomery County, or a candidate seeking election to the Council or as County Executive; providing that this Act may not be construed in a certain manner; defining certain terms; providing for certain penalties; providing for the application of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to restriction of fund-raising activities by lobbyists in Prince George's County and Montgomery County.

BY adding to

Article 40A – Maryland Public Ethics Law

Section 6-304

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1990 Replacement Volume and 1993 Supplement)

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

**Article 40A – Maryland Public Ethics Law**

6-304.

(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(2) "CANDIDATE" HAS THE MEANING STATED IN ARTICLE 33, § 1-1(A) OF THE CODE, BUT ONLY AS IT APPLIES TO A CANDIDATE SEEKING ELECTION AS A LOCAL OFFICIAL.

(3) "CONTRIBUTION" AND "POLITICAL COMMITTEE" HAVE THE MEANINGS STATED IN ARTICLE 33, § 1-1(A) OF THE CODE.

(4) "LOBBYIST" MEANS A PERSON REQUIRED TO REGISTER UNDER § 2-295 OF THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY CODE OR § 19A-21 OF THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY CODE.

(5) "LOCAL OFFICIAL" MEANS:

(I) A MEMBER OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY OR THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY; OR

(II) A MEMBER OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY OR THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY.