

Defined terms: "Advisory body" § 15-102

"Business entity" § 15-102

"Employee" § 15-102

"Entity" § 15-102

"Ethics Commission" § 15-102

"Financial interest" § 15-102

"Governmental unit" § 15-102

"Interest" § 15-102

"Official" § 15-102

"Qualifying relative" § 15-102

15-502. EMPLOYMENT OR FINANCIAL INTERESTS — GENERAL RESTRICTION.

(A) GENERAL ASSEMBLY EXEMPTED.

THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

(B) PROHIBITIONS.

EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTIONS (C) AND (D) OF THIS SECTION, AN OFFICIAL OR EMPLOYEE MAY NOT:

(1) BE EMPLOYED BY OR HAVE A FINANCIAL INTEREST IN:

(I) AN ENTITY SUBJECT TO THE AUTHORITY OF THAT OFFICIAL OR EMPLOYEE OR OF THE GOVERNMENTAL UNIT WITH WHICH THE OFFICIAL OR EMPLOYEE IS AFFILIATED; OR

(II) AN ENTITY THAT IS NEGOTIATING OR HAS ENTERED A CONTRACT WITH THAT GOVERNMENTAL UNIT; OR

(2) HOLD ANY OTHER EMPLOYMENT RELATIONSHIP IF THAT EMPLOYMENT RELATIONSHIP WOULD IMPAIR THE IMPARTIALITY AND INDEPENDENT JUDGMENT OF THE OFFICIAL OR EMPLOYEE.

(C) EXCEPTIONS.

THE PROHIBITIONS OF SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION DO NOT APPLY:

(1) TO EMPLOYMENT OR A FINANCIAL INTEREST ALLOWED BY REGULATION OF THE ETHICS COMMISSION IF:

(I) THE EMPLOYMENT DOES NOT CREATE A CONFLICT OF INTEREST OR THE APPEARANCE OF A CONFLICT OF INTEREST; OR

(II) THE FINANCIAL INTEREST IS DISCLOSED;

(2) TO A PUBLIC OFFICIAL WHO IS APPOINTED TO A REGULATORY OR LICENSING UNIT PURSUANT TO A STATUTORY REQUIREMENT THAT ENTITIES SUBJECT TO THE JURISDICTION OF THE UNIT BE REPRESENTED IN APPOINTMENTS TO IT;