- (1) THE FIRST STATEMENT REQUIRED UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE FILED NO LATER THAN THE FILING OF THE CERTIFICATE OF CANDIDACY.
- (2) IN THE YEAR OF THE ELECTION THE STATEMENT SHALL BE FILED ON OR BEFORE THE EARLIER OF:
 - (I) APRIL 30; OR
- (II) THE LAST DAY FOR THE WITHDRAWAL OF A CANDIDACY UNDER ARTICLE 33, § 9-1 OF THE CODE.
 - (E) FAILURE TO FILE STATEMENT.

IF A STATEMENT REQUIRED BY THIS SECTION IS OVERDUE AND IS NOT FILED WITHIN 20 DAYS AFTER THE CANDIDATE RECEIVES FROM THE ELECTION BOARD WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE FAILURE TO FILE, THE CANDIDATE IS DEEMED TO HAVE WITHDRAWN THE CANDIDACY.

- (F) PREREQUISITE TO ACCEPTANCE OF CERTIFICATE OF CANDIDACY OR NOMINATION.
- (1) AN ELECTION BOARD MAY NOT ACCEPT A CERTIFICATE OF CANDIDACY OR CERTIFICATE OF NOMINATION OF A CANDIDATE COVERED BY THIS SECTION UNLESS THE CANDIDATE HAS FILED A STATEMENT REQUIRED BY THIS SECTION OR § 15–602 OF THIS SUBTITLE.
- (2) AN ELECTION BOARD, WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER RECEIVING A STATEMENT, SHALL FORWARD THE STATEMENT TO THE ETHICS COMMISSION.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 40A, § 4-102(b) and (c).

In subsections (b) and (f) of this section, the revision reflects the apparent intent of former Art. 40A, § 4-102(b)(1)(ii) and (c) that a complete disclosure statement under § 15-602 of this subtitle must have been filed in order to exempt the individual under the respective provisions.

In subsection (d)(2)(ii) of this section, reference to "Article 33, § 9-1 of the Code" is added for clarity.

In subsection (f)(1) of this section, the phrase "of a candidate covered by this section" is added to clarify that this requirement does not apply to candidates for all offices, but only those who will be subject to financial disclosure as State officials of the Executive Branch or Legislative Branch.

Also in subsection (f) of this section, the words "an election board" have been substituted for the reference in the former law to "The State Administrative Board of Election Laws and the local boards of election supervisors" for brevity.

Defined term: "Ethics Commission" § 15-102