

(III) REPRESENTATION OF A BONA FIDE RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATION TO THE EXTENT THE REPRESENTATION IS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROTECTING THE RIGHT OF ITS MEMBERS TO PRACTICE THE DOCTRINE OF THE ORGANIZATION; OR

(IV) APPEARANCES AS PART OF THE OFFICIAL DUTIES OF AN OFFICER, DIRECTOR, MEMBER, OR EMPLOYEE OF AN ASSOCIATION ENGAGED EXCLUSIVELY IN REPRESENTING COUNTIES OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS, TO THE EXTENT THAT THE APPEARANCE IS NOT ON BEHALF OF ANY OTHER ENTITY.

(2) THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES ARE EXEMPT FROM REGULATION UNDER THIS SUBTITLE IF THE INDIVIDUAL ENGAGES IN NO OTHER ACTS DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD THAT REQUIRE REGISTRATION:

(I) PROFESSIONAL SERVICES IN DRAFTING BILLS OR IN ADVISING CLIENTS ON THE CONSTRUCTION OR EFFECT OF PROPOSED OR PENDING LEGISLATION;

(II) APPEARANCES BEFORE THE ENTIRE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, OR ANY COMMITTEE OR SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, AT THE SPECIFIC REQUEST OF THE BODY INVOLVED; OR

(III) APPEARANCES BEFORE A LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE AT THE SPECIFIC REQUEST OF A REGULATED LOBBYIST, IF THE WITNESS NOTIFIES THE COMMITTEE THAT THE WITNESS IS TESTIFYING AT THE REQUEST OF THE REGULATED LOBBYIST.

(3) SUBSECTION (A)(3) OF THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A BONA FIDE SALESPERSON OR COMMERCIAL SELLING AGENCY EMPLOYED OR MAINTAINED BY AN EMPLOYER FOR THE PURPOSE OF SOLICITING OR SECURING A PROCUREMENT CONTRACT UNLESS THE PERSON ENGAGES IN ACTS DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD THAT REQUIRE REGISTRATION UNDER SUBSECTION (A)(1) OR (2) OF THIS SECTION.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 40A, §§ 1-201(t)(2) and 5-101(a). This subsection is substantially reconstructed to divide the exemptions into acts that are always exempt from the reporting requirements and acts that are only exempt if the person engages in no further acts requiring registration.

In subsection (b)(1)(i), the phrase "to the extent that the appearance" is added in lieu of the former word "and" for clarity.

In subsection (b)(1)(ii) of this section, the term "news media" is substituted for the former reference to "the press, radio, or television" for clarity and brevity.

Also in subsection (b)(1)(ii) of this section, the last clause of former Art. 40A, § 5-101(a)(4) "... but who does not engage in further or other lobbying ..." is deleted as surplusage and for clarity because the former provision might serve to regulate constitutionally protected activities.