- [(2)] (B) If the person is a business entity and not a natural person, each officer and partner of the business entity who knowingly authorized or participated in the violation is guilty of a misdemeanor[,] and upon conviction[,] is subject to the same penalties as the business entity.
- [(b)] (C) The provisions of this [subtitle] PART V shall be enforced by the State's Attorney for Montgomery County.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section formerly was Art. 40A, § 6–703.

[6-704.] 15-841.

- (a) The County Council has no legal duty to verify the accuracy of any disclosure statement filed under this [subtitle] PART V.
- (b) Failure by any person, including the Chief Hearing Examiner of the Office of Zoning and Administrative Appeals, to comply with this [subtitle] PART V is not grounds for invalidation of any decision by the County Council, sitting as the District Council, for which a disclosure statement is required.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section formerly was Art. 40A, § 6-704.

15-842. RESERVED.

15-843, RESERVED.

PART VI. MONTGOMERY AND PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTIES — SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR LOBBYING DISCLOSURE.

## GENERAL REVISOR'S NOTE:

The Ethics Law Code Revision Committee has chosen to leave former Art. 40A, § 6-304 essentially unrevised, making only renumbering and minor stylistic changes.

The revised Maryland Public Ethics Law contains general definitions, applicable to the entire revised Title 15, that are derived with some alteration from the general definitions of former Art. 40A. The Ethics Law Code Revision Committee does not intend that the revised definitions be applied to this Part VI in such a way as to affect the meaning of this Part.

## [6-304.] 15-844.

- (a) [(1)] In this [section] PART VI the following words have the meanings indicated.
- [(2)] (B) "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)] (C) "Contribution" and "political committee" have the meanings stated in Article 33, § 1–1(a) of the Code.
- [(4)] (D) "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.