- (ii) writing an article that has been or is intended to be published.
- (2) "Honorarium" does not include payment for writing a book that has been or is intended to be published.

## 15-103.

- (f) The following are not public officials:
- (2) an individual employed on a contractual basis UNLESS THE INDIVIDUAL IS:
  - I(i) in the judicial branch; or
  - (ii) in the legislative branch or an executive unit:
    - 1. for 6 months or less; or
    - 2. less than full-time; and]
- (I) <u>EMPLOYED ON A FULL-TIME BASIS FOR MORE THAN 6</u> MONTHS; AND
- (II) DESIGNATED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (B)(1) OR (C) OF THIS SECTION; AND

## 15-205.

- (a) The Ethics Commission shall:
- (5) review each statement [or] AND report filed in accordance with Subtitle 6 or Subtitle 7 of this title and notify officials and employees submitting documents under Subtitle 6 of this title of any omissions or deficiencies; and 15–403.
  - (b) (2) The Commission shall dismiss the complaint in a signed order if:
- (i) the respondent, within 15 days after receiving the notice, takes any [available] action THAT MAY BE AVAILABLE to cure each alleged violation; and 15-502.
  - (c) The prohibitions of subsection (b) of this section do not apply:
- (4) to a member of a board who holds the employment or FINANCIAL interest when appointed if the employment or FINANCIAL interest is publicly disclosed to the appointing authority, the Ethics Commission, and, if applicable, the Senate of Maryland before Senate confirmation.

## 15-505.

(b) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, an official or employee may not knowingly accept a gift, directly or indirectly, from an entity that the official or employee knows or has reason to know: