

~~(1) does or seeks to do any business of any kind, regardless of amount, with the official's or employee's governmental unit;~~

~~(2) engages in an activity that is regulated or controlled by the official's or employee's governmental unit;~~

~~(3) has a financial interest that may be affected substantially and materially, in a manner distinguishable from the public generally, by the performance or nonperformance of the official's or employee's official duties; or~~

~~(4) is a regulated lobbyist with respect to matters within the jurisdiction of the official or employee.~~

(e) (1) Notwithstanding subsection (b) of this section, an official or employee may accept a gift specified in paragraph (2) of this subsection unless:

~~(i) the gift would tend to impair the impartiality and independent judgment of the official or employee; or~~

~~(ii) as to a gift of significant value:~~

~~1. the gift would give the appearance of impairing the impartiality and independent judgment of the official or employee; or~~

~~2. the official or employee believes or has reason to believe that the gift is designed to impair the impartiality and independent judgment of the official or employee.~~

(2) Subject to paragraph (1) of this subsection, subsection (b) of this section does not apply to:

~~(i) meals or beverages received by the official or employee in the presence of the donor or sponsoring entity;~~

~~(ii) ceremonial gifts or awards of insignificant monetary value;~~

~~(iii) except for a State official of the Executive or Legislative Branch, unsolicited gifts of nominal value;~~

~~(iv) as to a State official of the Executive or Legislative Branch, unsolicited gifts, not exceeding \$15 in cost, from a regulated lobbyist;~~

~~(v) trivial gifts of informational value;~~

~~(vi) in return for participation on a panel or a speaking engagement at a meeting, reasonable expenses for food, travel, lodging, or scheduled entertainment of the official or employee if the expenses are associated with the meeting, except that, if such expenses for a State official of the Legislative or Executive Branch are to be paid by a regulated lobbyist and are anticipated to exceed \$500, the official shall notify the appropriate advisory body before attending the meeting;~~