

implementation of the plan for the filing and maintenance in an electronic medium of certain campaign finance reports; defining certain terms; requiring the State Board to adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to the filing and maintenance of certain campaign finance reports in an electronic medium establishing a civil citation procedure for the adjudication of certain violations of the State election law; providing for a civil penalty for certain violations of the Fair Election Practices Act of the Election Code and specifying a maximum fine for such civil violations; increasing the criminal fine for certain election law violations; authorizing the State Prosecutor to prosecute certain election law violations; providing for original jurisdiction of the District Court of the State for persons contesting a citation for a civil infraction of certain fair election practice laws; providing for the disposition of certain money collected by the court; altering the statute of limitations period for a prosecution for violations of certain fair election practices laws and certain ethics laws; repealing a certain statute of limitation provision; making certain stylistic changes; prohibiting the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Comptroller, members of the General Assembly, or persons acting on behalf of any of these individuals, from receiving contributions, conducting a fund-raising event, or soliciting or selling tickets to an event, during certain periods of time; providing certain exceptions; establishing a certain penalty for certain violations of this prohibition; requiring that certain campaign finance reports required to be filed by statewide candidates or their committees be submitted and maintained by the State Administrative Board of Election Laws in an electronic storage format beginning with a certain campaign finance report due by a certain date; authorizing certain other campaign finance reports to be submitted and maintained by the State Board in an electronic storage format beginning with a certain campaign finance report due by a certain date; requiring all campaign finance reports filed with the State Board to comply with certain electronic filing requirements by a certain date; requiring the State Board, after a certain date, to provide certain materials to persons required to file certain campaign fund reports; requiring the State Board to make the campaign finance report information that it maintains in an electronic storage format available to the public; defining certain terms; requiring the State Board to adopt certain regulations; providing that an official need not include as a gift on the financial disclosure statement attendance at certain events that are otherwise reported by regulated lobbyists; altering certain lobbyist reporting requirements as to certain functions to include events to which all members of a county or regional delegation of the General Assembly are invited; providing that a presiding officer of the Senate or House of Delegates shall be deemed an ex officio member of a standing committee of the presiding officer's chamber; expanding the prohibition against lobbyists from soliciting or transmitting certain contributions to include the campaigns of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, and Comptroller and candidates for election to these offices; prohibiting certain lobbyists from serving on certain fund-raising or political committees; requiring the State Administrative Board of Election Laws to submit a certain report to the Legislative Policy Committee, by a certain date, that includes a certain plan and schedule for the full implementation of mandatory electronic filing for certain purposes; and generally relating to fund-raising, disclosure, and enforcement requirements under the campaign finance and ethics law.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings