

(i) the purpose of the interaction is not related to previous or subsequent business before the legislature; and

(ii) during the interaction, no previous or subsequent business related to the legislature is discussed.]

(d) (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (C)(2)(VI) OF THIS SECTION, A STATE OFFICIAL OF THE LEGISLATIVE BRANCH MAY NOT ACCEPT AN HONORARIUM.

(2) [Subject] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION AND SUBJECT to subsection (c)(1) of this section, an official or employee may accept an honorarium if:

(i) the honorarium is limited to reasonable expenses for the official's meals, travel, and lodging, and reasonable and verifiable expenses for care of a child or dependent adult, that are actually incurred;

(ii) the honorarium consists of gifts described in subsection (c)(2)(ii) through (iv) of this section; or

(iii) the official or employee is a faculty member of a State institution of higher education who does not hold another position as an official that precludes receiving the honorarium.

[(2)](3) Other than as allowed by paragraph [(1)] (2) of this subsection, an honorarium may not be accepted, even if permitted by subsection (c)(1) of this section, if:

(i) the payor of the honorarium has an 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; and

(ii) the offering of the honorarium is related in any way to the official's or employee's official position.

~~(E) A MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY MAY NOT ACCEPT THE GIFT OF A TICKET OR FREE ADMISSION TO A SPORTING EVENT, OR A CHARITABLE, CULTURAL, OR POLITICAL EVENT, FROM:~~

~~(1) A REGULATED LOBBYIST, OR~~

~~(2) ANY OTHER ENTITY, INCLUDING A GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY, THAT HAS AN INTEREST THAT MAY BE DIRECTLY AFFECTED BY THE MEMBER'S VOTE ON PROPOSED LEGISLATION.~~

(e) (F)(e) By regulation, the Ethics Commission may define further exemptions from this section as may be necessary.