

~~2. SOLICIT OR FACILITATE THE SOLICITATION OF A GIFT UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH WHILE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IS IN SESSION, OTHER THAN THROUGH A BROAD-BASED SOLICITATION THAT IS NOT DIRECTED SOLELY OR PRIMARILY AT REGULATED LOBBYISTS, OR~~

~~3. SOLICIT OR FACILITATE THE SOLICITATION OF A GIFT FROM AN INDIVIDUAL REGULATED LOBBYIST DESCRIBED IN § 15-701(A)(1) OF THIS TITLE.~~

~~(H) A MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WHO SOLICITS OR FACILITATES THE SOLICITATION OF A GIFT UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH FROM A REGULATED LOBBYIST SHALL DISCLOSE THE ACTIVITY TO THE JOINT ETHICS COMMITTEE.~~

~~(3) AN OFFICIAL MAY NOT DIRECTLY SOLICIT OR FACILITATE THE SOLICITATION OF A GIFT, ON BEHALF OF ANOTHER PERSON, FROM A PERSON REQUIRED TO BE REGULATED UNDER § 15-701 AN INDIVIDUAL REGULATED LOBBYIST DESCRIBED IN § 15-701(A)(1) OF THIS ARTICLE.~~

(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:

(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.

(c) (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: