

- (i) by an executive unit;
- (ii) by the Legislative Branch; or
- (iii) in the Judicial Branch.

(2) "Employee" does not include:

- (i) a public official; or
- (ii) a State official.

(m) (1) "Executive unit" means a department, agency, commission, board, council, or other body of State government that:

- (i) is established by law; and
- (ii) is not in the Legislative Branch or the Judicial Branch of State government.

(2) "Executive unit" includes:

- (1) a county health department unless the officials and employees of the department are expressly designated as "local officials" in § 15-807 of this title;
- (2) THE OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF IN EACH COUNTY; AND
- (3) THE OFFICE OF THE STATE'S ATTORNEY IN EACH COUNTY.

15-601.

(a) Except as provided in [subsection] SUBSECTIONS (b) AND (C) of this section, and subject to subsections [(c)] (D) and [(d)] (E) of this section, each official and candidate for office as a State official shall file a statement as specified in §§ 15-602 through 15-608 of this subtitle.

(b) Financial disclosure by a judge of a court under Article IV, § 1 of the Constitution, a candidate for elective office as a judge, or a judicial appointee as defined in Maryland Rule 16-814 is governed by § 15-610 of this subtitle.

(C) THE REQUIREMENT TO FILE A FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO:

- (1) A DEPUTY SHERIFF AND ALL OTHER EMPLOYEES IN THE OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF IN A COUNTY OR BALTIMORE CITY; AND
- (2) A DEPUTY OR ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY AND ALL OTHER EMPLOYEES IN THE OFFICE OF THE STATE'S ATTORNEY IN A COUNTY OR BALTIMORE CITY.

[(c)] (D) (1) An individual who is a public official only as a member of a board or who is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Maryland Health Care Foundation established under § 2-501 of the Health - General Article and who receives annual