14-107. VIOLATIONS.

## (A) IN GENERAL.

A PERSON WHO KNOWINGLY AND WILLFULLY VIOLATES THIS TITLE IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO A FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$1.000 OR IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 1 YEAR OR BOTH.

## (B) DERIVATIVE LIABILITY.

AN OFFICER OR PARTNER OF A BUSINESS ENTITY WHO KNOWINGLY AUTHORIZES OR PARTICIPATES IN A VIOLATION OF THIS TITLE BY THE BUSINESS ENTITY IS SUBJECT TO THE PENALTY PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 33, § 14-104(a).

In subsection (a) of this section, the word "violates" is substituted for the former phrase "fails to comply with the requirements of " for clarity.

In subsection (b) of this section, the former reference to a business entity that is "not a natural person" is deleted as surplusage.

Defined term: "Business entity" § 14-101

14-108. LIBERAL CONSTRUCTION.

THIS TITLE SHALL BE LIBERALLY CONSTRUED TO REQUIRE FULL DISCLOSURE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section formerly was Art. 33, § 14–104(b).

No changes are made.

## TITLE 15. PUBLIC FINANCING ACT.

15-101. PURPOSE.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY RECOGNIZES THAT OUR SYSTEM OF REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT DEPENDS IN PART ON GUARANTEEING THAT ELECTION CAMPAIGNS ARE FUNDED BY AND FOR THE PEOPLE AND ON ELIMINATING THE CORRUPTING AND UNDEMOCRATIC EFFECTS OF LARGE PRIVATE CONTRIBUTIONS. ACCORDINGLY, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS AND DECLARES THAT AN EQUITABLE MEANS OF PUBLIC CAMPAIGN FINANCING IS NECESSARY IN THESE TIMES IN ORDER FOR REPRESENTATIVE DEMOCRACY TO CONTINUE TO FUNCTION EFFECTIVELY.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section formerly was Art. 33, § 15-101.

The only changes are in style.

Defined term: "Election" § 1-101