

(b) If any committee, including a political club, directly or indirectly, expends fifty-one dollars (\$51.00) or more to aid or oppose the nomination or election of any candidate, regardless of the purpose for which the committee is formed, the treasurer of the committee, or in the case of a political club an officer thereof, shall report, on the form prescribed in § 26-12 of this article, a statement of contributions and expenditures to the treasurer appointed by the candidate being so aided, which statement shall be included in, or attached to, the statement of contributions and expenditures reported by the treasurer of the candidate as provided in §§ 26-11 and 26-12 of this article, however, a political club need only report that amount which is actually contributed to a candidate. The provisions of this subsection shall apply to any committees located outside of the State of Maryland with respect to any expenditures of funds within the State of Maryland.

(C) (1) IN ADDITION TO THE OTHER REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION, EACH POLITICAL COMMITTEE SHALL FILE WITH THE ELECTION BOARD WHERE IT IS REQUIRED TO FILE CAMPAIGN FUND REPORTS UNDER § 26-11 OF THIS ARTICLE:

- (I) THE NAME OF THE POLITICAL COMMITTEE; AND
- (II) A STATEMENT OF ITS PURPOSE.

(2) THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS SHALL APPLY TO THE NAME OF A POLITICAL COMMITTEE:

(I) A COMMITTEE MAY NOT USE A NAME, THE INTENT OR EFFECT OF WHICH IS ~~SUBSTANTIALLY~~ TO DECEIVE PEOPLE AS TO THE TRUE NATURE OR CHARACTER OF THE COMMITTEE.

(II) A COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED BY AND FOR A SINGLE CANDIDATE SHALL DISCLOSE THE NAME OF THE CANDIDATE WITHIN THE NAME OF THE COMMITTEE.

(III) IF A COMMITTEE IS SPONSORED BY, OR AFFILIATED WITH, ANOTHER ENTITY OR GROUP, THE NAME SHALL INCLUDE THE IDENTITY OF THE OTHER ENTITY OR GROUP.

(3) THE STATEMENT OF PURPOSE REQUIRED TO BE FILED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL CONTAIN:

(I) THE NAME OF THE CANDIDATE OR BALLOT QUESTION, IF ANY, THAT THE COMMITTEE WAS FORMED TO PROMOTE OR DEFEAT; AND

(II) THE IDENTITY OF THE SPECIAL ECONOMIC INTERESTS, BUSINESS, INCLUDING BUSINESS OR OCCUPATION, IF ANY, THAT THE MEMBERS OF, OR CONTRIBUTORS TO, THE COMMITTEE HAVE IN COMMON.