

CITY OF BALTIMORE
ORDINANCE _____
Council Bill 15-0501

Introduced by: The Council President
At the request of: The Administration (Board of Ethics)
Introduced and read first time: March 23, 2015
Assigned to: Judiciary and Legislative Investigations Committee
Committee Report: Favorable with amendments
Council action: Adopted
Read second time: June 1, 2015

AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING

Public Ethics Law – Financial Disclosure – Repeal of Pointless Exception

FOR the purpose of repealing an inapposite and effectively meaningless exception from local disclosure requirements for persons who submit copies of State disclosure statements; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to ethics in the public sector.

BY repealing

Article 8 - Ethics
Section(s) 7-10
Baltimore City Code
(Edition 2000)

BY repealing and reordaining, with amendments

Article 8 - Ethics
Section(s) 7-1.1(b), 7-8(intro), and 7-9(intro)
Baltimore City Code
(Edition 2000)

SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE, That the Laws of Baltimore City read as follows:

Baltimore City Code

Article 8. Ethics

Subtitle 7. Financial Disclosure

[§ 7-10. Persons filing with State.]

[Any public servant who is required by law to file a financial disclosure statement with the State Ethics Commission:

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing law.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.
Underlining indicates matter added to the bill by amendment.
~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from existing law by amendment.

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(1) need not file the statement required by this subtitle; but

(2) when filing with the State, must file a copy of that statement with the Ethics Board.]

§ 7-1.1. Certifications.

(b) Individuals required to file.

Each agency head must annually certify to the Ethics Board the names of all public servants in that agency who are required to file statements with the Ethics Board under:

(1) § 7-7 {“Elected officials and staff”};

(2) § 7-8 {“Agency officials and staff”}; OR

(3) § 7-9 {“Procurement, legislative liaison, and enforcement personnel”} [; or].

[(4) § 7-10 {“Person filing with State”}].

§ 7-8. Persons required to file – Agency officials and staff.

[Except as provided in § 7-10 {“Person filing with State”} of this subtitle, the] THE following officials and employees must file the financial disclosure statements required by this subtitle:

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§ 7-9. Persons required to file – Procurement, legislative liaison, and enforcement personnel.

[Except as provided in § 7-10 {“Person filing with State”} of this subtitle, the] THE following public servants must file the financial disclosure statements required by this subtitle:

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SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That the catchlines contained in this Ordinance are not law and may not be considered to have been enacted as a part of this or any prior Ordinance.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That this Ordinance takes effect the later of (i) the date this Ordinance is enacted, and (ii) the date on which this Ordinance is approved by the State Ethics Commission.

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Certified as duly passed this _____ day of _____, 20__

President, Baltimore City Council

Certified as duly delivered to Her Honor, the Mayor,
this _____ day of _____, 20__

Chief Clerk

Approved this _____ day of _____, 20__

Mayor, Baltimore City