

General Assembly

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Referred **GOVERNMENT** to Committee on ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by: (GAE)

## AN ACT CONCERNING STATE MARSHALS' STATEMENTS OF INCOME.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Section 1-83 of the general statutes is repealed and the 2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):
- 4 Assembly, department heads and their deputies, members or directors 5 of each quasi-public agency, members of the Investment Advisory

(a) (1) All state-wide elected officers, members of the General

- 6 Council [, state marshals] and such members of the Executive
- Department and such employees of quasi-public agencies as the
- 8 Governor shall require, shall file, under penalty of false statement, a
- 9 statement of financial interests for the preceding calendar year with the
- 10 Office of State Ethics on or before the May first next in any year in
- 11 which they hold such an office or position. If, in any year, May first
- 12 falls on a weekend or legal holiday, such statement shall be filed not
- 13 later than the next business day. Any such individual who leaves his
- 14 or her office or position shall file a statement of financial interests
- 15 covering that portion of the year during which such individual held

- his or her office or position. The Office of State Ethics shall notify such individuals of the requirements of this subsection not later than sixty days after their departure from such office or position. Such individuals shall file such statement not later than sixty days after receipt of the notification.
  - (2) Each state agency, department, board and commission shall develop and implement, in cooperation with the Office of State Ethics, an ethics statement as it relates to the mission of the agency, department, board or commission. The executive head of each such agency, department, board or commission shall be directly responsible for the development and enforcement of such ethics statement and shall file a copy of such ethics statement with the Department of Administrative Services and the Office of State Ethics.
  - (b) (1) The statement of financial interests, except as provided in [subdivisions (2) and (3)] subdivision (2) of this subsection, shall include the following information for the preceding calendar year in regard to the individual required to file the statement and the individual's spouse and dependent children residing in the individual's household: (A) The names of all businesses with which associated; (B) all sources of income, including the name of each employer, with a description of the type of income received, in excess of one thousand dollars, without specifying amounts of income; (C) the name of securities in excess of five thousand dollars at fair market value owned by such individual, spouse or dependent children or held in the name of a corporation, partnership or trust for the benefit of such individual, spouse or dependent children; (D) the existence of any known blind trust and the names of the trustees; (E) all real property and its location, whether owned by such individual, spouse or dependent children or held in the name of a corporation, partnership or trust for the benefit of such individual, spouse or dependent children; (F) the names and addresses of creditors to whom the individual, the individual's spouse or dependent children, individually, owed debts of more than ten thousand dollars; (G) any

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leases or contracts with the state or a quasi-public agency held or entered into by the individual or a business with which he or she was associated; and (H) the name of any of the following that is a partner or owner of, or has a similar business affiliation with, the business included under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision: (i) Any lobbyist, (ii) any person the individual filing the statement knows or has reason to know is doing business with or seeking to do business with the state or is engaged in activities that are directly regulated by the department or agency in which the individual is employed, or (iii) any business with which such lobbyist or person is associated.

- [(2) The statement of financial interests filed by state marshals shall include only amounts and sources of income earned in their capacity as state marshals.]
- [(3)] (2) In the case of securities in excess of five thousand dollars at fair market value held within (A) a retirement savings plan, as described in Section 401 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as amended from time to time, (B) a payroll deduction individual retirement account plan, as described in Section 408 or 408A of said Internal Revenue Code, (C) a governmental deferred compensation plan, as described in Section 457 of said Internal Revenue Code, or (D) an education savings plan, as described in Section 529 of said Internal Revenue Code, the names of such securities shall not be required to be disclosed in any statement of financial interests and only the name of such retirement savings plan, individual retirement account plan, deferred compensation plan or education savings plan holding such securities shall be required.
- (c) The statement of financial interests filed pursuant to this section shall be a matter of public information, except the list of names, filed in accordance with subparagraph (F) of subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of this section shall be sealed and confidential and for the use of the Office of State Ethics only after a complaint has been filed under section 1-82 and such complaint has been determined by a vote of the

- 82 board to be of sufficient merit and gravity to justify the unsealing of 83 such list or lists and not open to public inspection unless the 84 respondent requests otherwise. If the board reports its findings to the 85 Chief State's Attorney in accordance with subsection (c) of section 1-88, 86 the board shall turn over to the Chief State's Attorney such relevant 87 information contained in the statement as may be germane to the 88 specific violation or violations or a prosecutorial official may subpoena 89 such statement in a criminal action. Unless otherwise a matter of 90 public record, the Office of State Ethics shall not disclose to the public 91 any such subpoena which would be exempt from disclosure by the 92 issuing agency.
  - (d) Any individual who is unable to provide information required under the provisions of subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of this section by reason of impossibility may petition the board for a waiver of the requirements.
- 97 Sec. 2. Section 6-38e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):
- 99 (a) Each state marshal shall file with the State Marshal Commission, 100 under penalty of false statement, a statement of income for the 101 preceding calendar year on or before the May first next in any year in 102 which he or she holds the position of state marshal. Any state marshal 103 who leaves or is removed from his or her position as a state marshal 104 shall file a statement of income covering that portion of the year 105 during which such individual held his or her position of state marshal 106 not later than sixty days after his or her departure from the position. 107 The statement of income shall be on a form prescribed by the State 108 Marshal Commission and shall include only amounts and sources of 109 income earned in the filer's capacity as a state marshal.
  - (b) The State Marshal Commission shall periodically review and audit the records and accounts of the state marshals. Upon the death or disability of a state marshal, the commission shall appoint a qualified individual to oversee and audit the records and accounts of such state

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marshal and render an accounting to the commission. All information obtained by the commission from any audit conducted pursuant to this [section] subsection shall be confidential and shall not be subject to disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, as defined in section 1-200.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following		
sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2019	1-83
Sec. 2	October 1, 2019	6-38e

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