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By: **Chairman, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee**  
**(By Request - Departmental - Ethics, State Commission on)**

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CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Ethics - Financial Disclosure - Electronic Filing Procedures**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Ethics Commission to adopt regulations to  
 4 modify the format for disclosure of certain information that is filed  
 5 electronically.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
 7 Article - State Government  
 8 Section 15-602(d)  
 9 Annotated Code of Maryland  
 10 (2004 Replacement Volume)

11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
 12 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

13 **Article - State Government**

14 15-602.

15 (d) (1) The Ethics Commission shall develop procedures under which a  
 16 statement under this subtitle may be filed electronically and without additional cost  
 17 to the individual who files the statement.

18 (2) (I) TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENT OF PARAGRAPH (1) OF  
 19 THIS SUBSECTION, THE ETHICS COMMISSION MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS TO MODIFY

1 THE FORMAT FOR DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION REQUIRED UNDER § 15-607 OF THIS  
2 SUBTITLE.

3 (II) THE REGULATIONS ADOPTED UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL  
4 BE CONSISTENT WITH THE INTENT OF THIS TITLE.

5 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take  
6 effect October 1, 2005.