

COUNTY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND
Legislative Session 2019, Legislative Day No. 4

Bill No. 4-19

Mr. Tom Quirk, Chairman
By Request of County Executive

By the County Council, February 19, 2019

A BILL
ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore County Ethics Law - Amendments

FOR the purpose of amending the Baltimore County Ethics Law; clarifying what may be disclosed to a respondent; clarifying that the Commission may adopt certain rules; expanding the number of public officials who must complete training in the Ethics Law; eliminating the 2 hour requirement for training in the Ethics Law; altering the date for providing in person lobbyist training; authorizing the Ethics Commission to eliminate in person lobbyist training if it offers online lobbyist training; prohibiting certain former public officials from engaging in certain activities with the county for one year after termination of employment; authorizing the Ethics Commission to provide for electronic filing of financial disclosure statements; amending and simplifying the definition of "lobbyist"; requiring certain lobbyists' forms to be made available electronically;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.
 [Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.
 ~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from bill.
 Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

authorizing the Ethics Commission to provide for electronic filing of lobbyists' forms; making technical changes; providing the application of certain portions of this Act; and generally relating to amending the Ethics Law.

By repealing and reenacting, without amendments

Section 5-1-201(e)
Article 5. Pensions and Retirement
Title 1. Employees Retirement System
Subtitle 2. Retirement System
Baltimore County Code, 2015

By repealing and reenacting, with amendments

Sections 7-1-105(g)(3) and (4), 7-1-201(b), 7-1-203, 7-1-304(b), 7-1-401(a), 7-1-501(c) and (d), 7-1-502, and 7-1-510
Article 7. Public Ethics and Open Government
Title 1. Public Ethics
Baltimore County Code, 2015

By adding

Section 7-1-401(g)
Article 7. Public Ethics and Open Government
Title 1. Public Ethics
Baltimore County Code, 2015

By repealing and reenacting, without amendments

Section 7-1-105(a)(3) and 7-1-501(a)
Article 7. Public Ethics and Open Government
Title 1. Public Ethics
Baltimore County Code, 2015

1 SECTION 1. BE IN ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE
2 COUNTY, MARYLAND, that the Laws of Baltimore County shall read as follows:

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1 Article 5. Pensions and Retirement
2 Title 1. Employees Retirement System
3 Subtitle 2. Retirement System
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5 § 5-1-201.

6 (e) "Appointed department head" means the County Executive, County Administrative
7 Officer, Deputy County Administrative Officers, senior administrative assistants to the County
8 Administrative Officer, secretary to the County Executive, County Auditor, Senior Council
9 Assistant, Supervisor of Assessments of the County, Executive Director of the County Revenue
10 Authority, secretary to the County Council, the Zoning Commissioner, and those persons who
11 are the heads of offices and departments created by legislative act of the County Council as
12 provided for in Section 502 of the Charter or as enumerated in Sections 503 and 504 of the
13 Charter, other than the departments of education, libraries, health and welfare. Any person who,
14 on July 1, 1984, was serving at one (1) of the positions enumerated herein may elect to
15 contribute to the retirement system all amounts with interest required to be contributed with
16 respect to such service as a department head accounting from that date. Any person who was
17 serving as Deputy County Administrative Officer, senior administrative assistants to the County
18 Administrative Officer, or secretary to the County Executive on or after December 1, 1987, may
19 elect to contribute to the retirement system all amounts with interest required to be contributed
20 with respect to such service as a department head accounting from the date of appointment. Any
21 person who was serving as a Senior Council Assistant on or after December 1, 1985, may elect
22 to contribute to the retirement system all amounts with interest required to be contributed with
23 respect to such service as a department head accounting from the date of appointment.

Article 7. Public Ethics and Open Government
Title 1. Public Ethics

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§ 7-1-105.

(a)(3) The Commission shall promptly provide the respondent with a copy of the complaint.

(g) (3) [The Commission shall disclose the identity of the complainant to the respondent, at the request of the respondent.

(4) The Commission shall meet in closed session whenever it is considering a complaint being processed in accordance with this title or with rules and regulations adopted by the Commission until a final Commission determination is made regarding disposition of the complaint.

§ 7-1-201.

(b) The Commission [shall] MAY adopt rules and regulations in order to carry out the provisions of this title, including:

(1) The conduct of Commission meetings to consider an advisory opinion request or a complaint processed in accordance with Subtitle 1 of this title;

(2) Providing access to Commission records relating to an advisory opinion request or a complaint processed in accordance with Subtitle 1 of this title; and

(3) Public examination of financial disclosure statements.

1 § 7-1-203.

2 (a) (1) The Commission shall provide a training course [of at least 2 hours] on the
3 requirements of the county public ethics law for the following elected officials and public
4 officials:

5 (i) An individual who serves as an appointed department head as defined in Section 5-
6 1-201(e) of the Code;

7 (ii) An individual who serves as a deputy in any department or office as provided for
8 in Section 502 of the Charter or as enumerated in Sections 503 and 504 of the Charter;

9 (iii) The Chairman and members of the County Council and appointed legislative
10 staff to each member;

11 (iv) The administrative assistant to the County Council;

12 (v) The deputy secretary to the County Council;

13 (vi) The Deputy County Auditor;

14 (vii) The Administrative Law Judges of the Office of Administrative Hearings;

15 (viii) The chairman and members of the Board of Appeals;

16 (ix) The [chairman and members] CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS AND EXECUTIVE
17 DIRECTOR of the Revenue Authority;

18 (x) The chairman and members of the Planning Board;

19 (xi) The chairman and members of the Ethics Commission; [and]

20 (xii) The People's Counsel and Deputy People's Counsel; AND

21 (XIII) SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, ANY OTHER
22 PUBLIC OFFICIAL IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES OF THE COUNTY
23 GOVERNMENT DESIGNATED BY THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER OR

1 ANY OTHER PERSON IN THE LEGISLATIVE BRANCH, INCLUDING THE OFFICE OF
2 THE COUNTY AUDITOR, DESIGNATED BY THE SECRETARY TO THE COUNTY
3 COUNCIL.

4 (2) IN DESIGNATING OTHER PUBLIC OFFICIALS TO COMPLETE THE
5 TRAINING REQUIRED BY THIS SECTION, THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
6 AND SECRETARY TO THE COUNTY COUNCIL SHALL INCLUDE THOSE PUBLIC
7 OFFICIALS WHOSE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES ARE LIKELY TO
8 SUBSTANTIALLY AFFECT PRIVATE INTERESTS AND REQUIRE SIGNIFICANT
9 PARTICIPATION THROUGH DECISION OR THE EXERCISE OF SIGNIFICANT
10 JUDGMENT, AND WITHOUT SUBSTANTIAL SUPERVISION AND REVIEW IN TAKING
11 GOVERNMENT ACTION REGARDING:

- 12 (I) CONTRACTING OR PROCUREMENT;
- 13 (II) ADMINISTERING GRANTS;
- 14 (III) LAND USE, PLANNING AND ZONING;
- 15 (IV) REGULATING, LICENSING OR INSPECTING ANY BUSINESS;
- 16 (V) OTHER DECISIONS WITH ECONOMIC IMPACT, WHICH MAY INCLUDE
17 PUBLIC OFFICIALS IN THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE; AND
- 18 (VI) LAW ENFORCEMENT.

19 [(2)] (3) The individuals listed in this subsection shall complete the initial training
20 course [within 6 months of the effective date of this act or] within 6 months [of] AFTER filling a
21 vacancy, and once each year thereafter.

1 (b) (1) (i) The Commission shall provide a training course for an individual registered as
2 a lobbyist under Subtitle 5 of this title at least twice each year on the provisions of the county
3 public ethics law relevant to regulated lobbyists.

4 (ii) One training course shall be held each [January] MARCH.

5 (2) (i) When an individual initially registers as a regulated lobbyist, the Commission
6 shall provide the individual with information on the provisions of the county public ethics law
7 relevant to regulated lobbyists.

8 (ii) The individual shall complete the initial training course within 6 months of
9 registration, and once each year thereafter.

10 (c)(1) The required training courses may be administered by the Commission in person
11 or online.

12 (2) IF THE COMMISSION ESTABLISHES AN ONLINE TRAINING COURSE
13 FOR LOBBYISTS, IT MAY ELIMINATE THE IN PERSON TRAININGS REQUIRED
14 UNDER SUBSECTION (B)(1) OF THIS SECTION.

15 (d) The Commission may adopt regulations to further administer the requirements of
16 this section.

17 (e) The Commission shall publish on its website information related to the names of
18 individuals required to complete the training course and the date of compliance with this
19 [subsection] SECTION.

1 § 7-1-401.

2 (a) The following public officials shall file the financial disclosure statements required
3 under this subtitle:

4 (1) [The County Executive;] EACH PUBLIC OFFICIAL REQUIRED TO
5 COMPLETE THE TRAINING REQUIRED UNDER § 7-1-203 OF THIS TITLE;

6 (2) [The County Administrative Officer and the Deputy County Administrative
7 Officers;

8 (3) The chairman and members of the County Council;

9 [(4)] (3) The County Attorney, the Deputy County Attorney, and an Acting County
10 Attorney or Acting Deputy County Attorney;

11 [(5)] The secretary to the County Executive;

12 (6) The secretary to the County Council;

13 [(7)] (4) The administrative assistant to the County Council;

14 [(8)] (5) The Administrative Law Judges of the Office of Administrative Hearings;

15 [(9)] Department heads, deputy] (6) DEPUTY department heads, and acting department
16 heads and deputy department heads;

17 [(10)] Office heads, deputy] (7) DEPUTY office heads, and acting office heads and
18 deputies;

19 [(11)] The chairman and members of the Board of Appeals;

20 (12) The County Auditor and the Deputy Auditor;

21 (13) The chairman, members, and Executive Director of the Revenue Authority;

22 (14) The chairman and members of the Planning Board;

23 [(15)] (8) The chairman and members of the Board of Recreation and Parks;

1 [(16)] (9) The chairman and members of the Electrical Administrative Board;
2 [(17)] (10) The chairman and members of the Plumbing Board;
3 [(18)] (11) The chairman and members of the Board of Health;
4 [(19)] (12) The chairman and members of the Board of Library Trustees;
5 [(20)] The chairman and members of the Ethics Commission;
6 (21)] (13) The paid and unpaid members of boards of all state agencies funded in
7 whole or in part by the county;
8 [(22)] The People's Counsel and the Deputy People's Counsel;
9 (23)] (14) The chairman and members of the Agricultural Land Preservation Advisory
10 Board;
11 [(24)] (15) The chairman and members of the Workforce Development Council;
12 [(25)] (16) The chairman and members of the Telecommunications Advisory Panel;
13 and
14 [(26)] (17) Subject to subsection (f)(2) of this section, the chairman and members of
15 the Board of Trustees of the Community College of Baltimore County.

16 (G) THE COMMISSION MAY DEVELOP PROCEDURES UNDER WHICH
17 FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS MAY BE FILED ELECTRONICALLY
18 WITHOUT ADDITIONAL COST TO THE INDIVIDUAL WHO FILES THE STATEMENT.

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20 § 7-1-501.

21 (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

22 (c) [(1)] "Lobbying" [means communicating] MEANS:

1 (1) COMMUNICATING [with] IN THE PRESENCE OF a public official of the legislative
2 or executive branch of county government, [in the presence of that public official,] for
3 the purpose of influencing legislative or executive [action.] ACTION; OR

4 (2) "[Lobbying" includes engaging] ENGAGING in activities with the express purpose of
5 soliciting others to communicate with a public official of the legislative or executive
6 branch of the county government for the purpose of influencing legislative or executive
7 action.

8 (d) [(1) "Lobbyist" means a person who engages in lobbying in the presence of any official
9 or employee of the legislative or executive branch, and who, within a reporting period:

10 (i) For the purpose of influencing legislative action:

11 1. Communicates with a public official of the legislative or executive branch
12 and:

13 2. A. Incurs \$100 or more of expenses, cumulatively, not including personal
14 travel and subsistence expenses; or

15 B. Receives \$500 or more as compensation;

16 (ii) For the purpose of influencing executive action:

17 1. Communicates with public officials of the executive branch; and

18 2. Expends a cumulative value of \$100 or more on meals, beverages, special
19 events, or gifts for public officials of the executive branch; or

20 (iii) For the purpose of influencing the comprehensive rezoning process:

21 1. Engages in lobbying; and

1 2. Expend money, irrespective of the amount, on a public official for meals,
2 beverages, special events, or gifts.

3 (2) "Lobbyist" does not include a person who strictly:

4 (i) Provides professional services in drafting bills or in advising and rendering
5 opinions to clients regarding the construction and effect of proposed or pending
6 County Council actions;

7 (ii) Appears before the County Council at the specific invitation or request of the
8 Council, provided the person does not engage in any other activity in connection
9 with the passage or defeat of County Council actions;

10 (iii) Appears at public hearings of the County Council or a county agency, board, or
11 commission, if the person does not:

12 1. Engage in other lobbying activities in connection with the passage or defeat of
13 County Council actions or the approval or disapproval of actions of the county
14 agency, board, or commission; and

15 2. Expend money on food, entertainment, or other gifts for a public official in
16 connection with the appearance;

17 (iv) Makes appearances as part of the official duties of a duly elected or appointed
18 official or employee of the state or a political subdivision of the state, or of the
19 United States, provided the appearance is not on behalf of another entity;

20 (v) Is a publisher or member of the press, radio, or television working in the ordinary
21 course of the business of disseminating news or making editorial comment to the
22 general public, provided the person does not engage in other lobbying that would

1 directly and specifically benefit the economic, business, or professional interests of
2 the person or the person's employer;

3 (vi) Appears before the County Council at the specific invitation or request of a
4 registered lobbyist, provided no other lobbying act is undertaken, and provided the
5 witness identifies to the Council that the person is testifying at the request of the
6 lobbyist;

7 (vii) Makes appearances as part of the official duties of an officer, director, member,
8 or employee of an association engaged exclusively in lobbying for counties and
9 municipalities and not on behalf of another entity; or

10 (viii) Represents a bona fide religious organization solely for the purpose of
11 protecting the right of its own members to practice the doctrine of the
12 organization.] "LOBBYIST" MEANS A PERSON REQUIRED TO REGISTER
13 AND REPORT EXPENSES RELATED TO LOBBYING UNDER THIS
14 SUBTITLE.

15 § 7-1-502.

16 (a) (1)(I) Except as provided in PARAGRAPH (4) OF THIS SUBSECTION AND subsection
17 (b) of this section, A PERSON OR ENTITY WHO ENGAGES IN LOBBYING [a lobbyist]
18 shall file a lobbying registration with the Commission IF THE PERSON OR ENTITY,
19 DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR:

20 1. EXPENDS, EXCLUSIVE OF PERSONAL TRAVEL AND SUBSISTANCE
21 EXPENSES, IN EXCESS OF \$100 IN FURTHERANCE OF THIS ACTIVITY; OR

1 2. IS COMPENSATED IN EXCESS OF \$500 IN CONNECTION WITH THIS
2 ACTIVITY; OR

3 (II) FOR THE PURPOSE OF INFLUENCING THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING
4 MAP PROCESS:

5 1. ENGAGES IN LOBBYING; AND

6 2. EXPENDS MONEY, IRRESPECTIVE OF THE AMOUNT, ON A PUBLIC
7 OFFICIAL FOR MEALS, BEVERAGES, SPECIAL EVENTS, OR GIFTS.

8 (2) THE PERSON OR ENTITY SHALL FILE THE REGISTRATION:

9 (i) On or before the beginning of the year in which the lobbyist expects to engage in
10 lobbying; or

11 (ii) Within 5 days after engaging in lobbying activities.

12 [(2)] (3) A lobbyist who engages in lobbying on behalf of more than one person shall file
13 a separate lobbying registration for each person.

14 (4) THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES ARE EXEMPT FROM REGISTRATION
15 UNDER THIS SECTION:

16 (I) PROFESSIONAL SERVICES IN DRAFTING BILLS OR ADVISING AND
17 RENDERING OPINIONS TO CLIENTS AS TO THE CONSTRUCTION AND EFFECT OF
18 PROPOSED OR PENDING COUNTY COUNCIL ACTIONS WHEN THESE SERVICES DO
19 NOT OTHERWISE CONSTITUTE LOBBYING ACTIVITIES;

20 (II) APPEARANCES BEFORE THE COUNTY COUNCIL ON ITS SPECIFIC
21 INVITATION OR REQUEST IF THE PERSON OR ENTITY ENGAGES IN NO FURTHER

1 OR OTHER ACTIVITIES IN CONNECTION WITH THE PASSAGE OR DEFEAT OF
2 COUNTY COUNCIL ACTIONS;

3 (III) APPEARANCES BEFORE AN AGENCY OF THE EXECUTIVE
4 BRANCH ON THE SPECIFIC REQUEST OF THE AGENCY IF THE PERSON OR ENTITY
5 ENGAGES IN NO FURTHER OR OTHER ACTIVITIES IN CONNECTION WITH THE
6 PASSAGE OR DEFEAT OF ANY AGENCY EXECUTIVE ACTION;

7 (IV) APPEARANCE AS PART OF THE OFFICIAL DUTIES OF A DULY
8 ELECTED OR APPOINTED OFFICIAL OF THE STATE OR A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION
9 OF THE STATE, OR OF THE UNITED STATES, AND NOT ON BEHALF OF ANY OTHER
10 ENTITY;

11 (V) ACTIONS OF A PUBLISHER OR WORKING MEMBER OF THE PRESS,
12 RADIO, OR TELEVISION IN THE ORDINARY COURSE OF THE BUSINESS OF
13 DISSEMINATING NEWS OR MAKING EDITORIAL COMMENT TO THE GENERAL
14 PUBLIC WHO DOES NOT ENGAGE IN FURTHER OR OTHER LOBBYING THAT
15 WOULD DIRECTLY AND SPECIFICALLY BENEFIT THE ECONOMIC, BUSINESS OR
16 PROFESSIONAL INTERESTS OF THE PERSON OR ENTITY OR THE EMPLOYER OF
17 THE PERSON OR ENTITY;

18 (VI) APPEARANCES BY AN INDIVIDUAL BEFORE THE COUNTY
19 COUNCIL AT THE SPECIFIC INVITATION OF A REGISTERED LOBBYIST IF THE
20 PERSON PERFORMS NO OTHER LOBBYING ACT AND NOTIFIES THE COUNTY
21 COUNCIL THAT THE PERSON OR ENTITY IS TESTIFYING AT THE REQUEST OF THE
22 LOBBYIST;

1 (VII) APPEARANCES BY AN INDIVIDUAL BEFORE A GOVERNMENT
2 AGENCY AT THE SPECIFIC INVITATION OF A REGISTERED LOBBYIST IF THE
3 PERSON PERFORMS NO OTHER LOBBYING ACT AND NOTIFIES THE GOVERNMENT
4 AGENCY THAT THE PERSON OR ENTITY IS TESTIFYING AT THE REQUEST OF THE
5 LOBBYIST;

6 (VIII) THE REPRESENTATION OF A BONA FIDE RELIGIOUS
7 ORGANIZATION SOLELY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROTECTING THE RIGHT OF ITS
8 OWN MEMBERS TO PRACTICE THE DOCTRINE OF THE ORGANIZATION; AND

9 (IX) APPEARANCE AS PART OF THE OFFICIAL DUTIES OF AN OFFICER,
10 DIRECTOR, MEMBER OR EMPLOYEE OF AN ASSOCIATION ENGAGED
11 EXCLUSIVELY IN LOBBYING FOR COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES AND NOT ON
12 BEHALF OF ANY OTHER ENTITY.

13 (b)(1) A person who engages in lobbying, including making public appearances, for the
14 purpose of influencing the comprehensive [rezoning] ZONING MAP process is not required
15 to file a lobbying registration provided the person:

16 (i) Does not expend money on a public official for meals, beverages, special events,
17 or gifts; and

18 (ii) Registers with the secretary to the County Council not later than 5 days after the
19 last lobbying activity.

20 (2) The registration filed with the secretary to the County Council shall:

21 (i) Include the following information:

- 1 1. The person's full and legal name and address and the full and legal name and
2 address of any person on whose behalf the person is acting; and
3 2. The property involved and the map issue number if available;
4 (ii) Be made a permanent part of the County Council record; and
5 (iii) Be posted on the council website.

6 § 7-1-510.

7 (a) (1) The Commission or an office designated by the Commission shall:

- 8 (i) Maintain all registrations and reports filed under this subtitle; and
9 (ii) Subject to paragraph (2) of this subsection, make the registrations and reports
10 available during normal office hours for examination and copying by the public.

11 (2) (I) The Commission may establish administrative procedures for public
12 examination and copying of records.

13 (II) LOBBYING REGISTRATIONS, ANNUAL REPORTS AND
14 TERMINATIONS OF REGISTRATION FILED UNDER THIS TITLE SHALL BE MADE
15 AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION VIA THE COMMISSION'S INTERNET WEB
16 PAGES.

17 (B) THE COMMISSION MAY DEVELOP PROCEDURES UNDER WHICH
18 LOBBYING REGISTRATIONS, ANNUAL REPORTS AND TERMINATIONS OF
19 REGISTRATION MAY BE FILED ELECTRONICALLY WITHOUT ADDITIONAL COST
20 TO THE INDIVIDUAL WHO FILES THE REGISTRATION, REPORT, OR TERMINATION.

21 [(b)] (C) The Commission or an office designated by the Commission shall retain
22 registrations and reports for 4 years after the date of receipt.

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1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that the Laws of Baltimore County
2 shall read as follows:

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4 Article 7. Public Ethics and Open Government

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6 § 7-1-304.

7 (b) (1) In this subsection:

8 (i) "Participated significantly" means direct participation in a matter that
9 involves the county government by a former public official in which the former public official's
10 involvement was or appeared to be significant to a decision, approval, or recommendation
11 concerning the county matter;

12 (ii) "Participated significantly" includes the participation of a subordinate
13 of the former public official if the subordinate was actually directed in the county issue by the
14 former public official; and

15 (iii) "Participated significantly" is not established by official responsibility
16 (although official responsibility may be a factor in determining the significance of the
17 involvement), knowledge, perfunctory involvement, or involvement on an administrative or
18 peripheral matter.

19 (2) Except for a former member of the County Council, who shall be subject to the
20 restrictions provided under paragraph [(3)] (4) of this subsection, a former public official may
21 not assist or represent a party, other than the county or the state, in a case, contract, or other
22 specific matter for compensation if:

23 (i) The matter involves county government; and

1 (ii) The former public official participated significantly in the matter as a
2 public official.

3 (3) A FORMER COUNTY EXECUTIVE, COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
4 OR HEAD OF AN OFFICE OR DEPARTMENT OF THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT
5 APPOINTED AND CONFIRMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 402(D)(9) OF THE
6 CHARTER MAY NOT ASSIST OR REPRESENT A PARTY, OTHER THAN THE COUNTY
7 OR THE STATE, IN A CASE, CONTRACT, OR OTHER SPECIFIC MATTER INVOLVING
8 THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT FOR COMPENSATION FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR
9 FOLLOWING THE FORMER EMPLOYEE'S TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT WITH
10 THE COUNTY.

11 [(3)] (4) (i) Except as provided in subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, until the conclusion
12 of one year after the member leaves office, a former elected official may not assist or represent
13 another party for compensation in a matter that is the subject of legislative action by the County
14 Council.

15 (ii) The limitation under subparagraph (i) of this paragraph on representation by a
16 former elected official does not apply to the former elected official's representation of a
17 municipal corporation, county, or state governmental entity.

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19 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that, subject to Section 6 of this Act,
20 Section 2 of this Act shall apply only to an individual who terminated employment on or after
21 the effective date of this Act.

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1 SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that the public officials newly
2 required to complete the Ethics training by this Act shall complete the training by the end of
3 calendar year 2019.

4 SECTION 5. AND BE IT FUTHER ENACTED, that notwithstanding § 7-1-401(d)(3) of
5 the Baltimore County Code, 2015, the public officials newly required to complete financial
6 disclosure statements by this Act shall complete their financial disclosure statements covering
7 calendar year 2018 by the later of: (1) May 30, 2019, (2) within 30 days after appointment, or (3)
8 within 30 days after designation by the County Administrative Officer or Secretary to the County
9 Council, as provided in § 7-1-203(a) of the Baltimore County Code, 2015, as applicable.

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11 SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that this Act, having passed by the
12 affirmative vote of five members of the County Council, shall take effect March 31, 2019.