

# HOUSE BILL 116

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HB 654/03 – W&M

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By: **Delegate Glassman**

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Assigned to: Ways and Means

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Election Law – Reporting of Slate Expenditures**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring that each campaign finance report filed by a campaign  
4 finance entity that is a slate include information regarding certain expenditures  
5 made on behalf of, or for the benefit of, certain candidates on the slate; and  
6 generally relating to the disclosure of information on campaign finance reports  
7 filed by a slate regarding the actual or intended beneficiaries of certain  
8 expenditures made by the slate.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
10 Article – Election Law  
11 Section 13–304  
12 Annotated Code of Maryland  
13 (2003 Volume and 2006 Supplement)

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

16 **Article – Election Law**

17 13–304.

18 (a) From the date of its organization until its termination under the  
19 provisions of this title, a campaign finance entity, except a political club, shall file a  
20 campaign finance report at the times, for the periods, and at the locations required by  
21 §§ 13–309, 13–312, and 13–316 of this subtitle.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1           (b)   **(1)**   A campaign finance report filed by a campaign finance entity  
2 under subsection (a) of this section shall include the information required by the State  
3 Board with respect to all contributions received and all expenditures made by or on  
4 behalf of the campaign finance entity during the designated reporting period.

5                   **(2)   IF THE CAMPAIGN FINANCE ENTITY IS A SLATE, THE**  
6 **CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORT, AS TO EACH EXPENDITURE, SHALL NOTE EACH**  
7 **CANDIDATE INCLUDED ON THE SLATE ON WHOSE BEHALF THE EXPENDITURE**  
8 **WAS MADE OR FOR WHOSE BENEFIT THE EXPENDITURE WAS INTENDED.**

9           (c)   A campaign finance report prescribed by this subtitle for the campaign  
10 finance entity of a candidate is required whether or not:

11                   (1)   the candidate files a certificate of candidacy;

12                   (2)   the candidate withdraws, declines a nomination, or otherwise  
13 ceases to be a candidate;

14                   (3)   the candidate's name appears on the primary ballot; or

15                   (4)   the candidate is successful in the election.

16           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
17 October 1, 2007.