

# HOUSE BILL 376

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By: **Delegate Washington**

Introduced and read first time: January 22, 2020

Assigned to: Ways and Means

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Election Law – Campaign Finance – Protection of Contributor Information**

3 FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from using contributor information from any  
4 report or statement required under provisions of law governing campaign finance for  
5 commercial solicitation purposes; prohibiting a person from publishing contributor  
6 information from any report or statement required under provisions of law governing  
7 campaign finance in certain media for the purpose of facilitating commercial  
8 solicitation; and generally relating to the protection of contributor information.

9 BY adding to

10 Article – Election Law

11 Section 13–106

12 Annotated Code of Maryland

13 (2017 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)

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

16 **Article – Election Law**

17 **13–106.**

18 (A) A PERSON MAY NOT USE ANY CONTRIBUTOR INFORMATION FROM ANY  
19 REPORT OR STATEMENT REQUIRED UNDER THIS TITLE FOR COMMERCIAL  
20 SOLICITATION PURPOSES.

21 (B) A PERSON MAY NOT PUBLISH ANY CONTRIBUTOR INFORMATION FROM  
22 ANY REPORT OR STATEMENT REQUIRED UNDER THIS TITLE IN NEWSPAPERS,  
23 MAGAZINES, BOOKS, OR OTHER SIMILAR MEDIA FOR THE PURPOSE OF FACILITATING  
24 COMMERCIAL SOLICITATION.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
2   October 1, 2020.