§ 17-154. Pernicious political activities. It shall be unlawful for any person to: 1. Intimidate, threaten or coerce, or to attempt to intimidate, threaten or coerce, any other person for the purpose of interfering with the right of such other person to vote or to vote as he may choose, or for the purpose of causing such other person to vote for, or not to vote for, any candidate for the office of governor, lieutenant-governor, attorney-general, comptroller, judge of any court, member of the senate, or member of the assembly at any election held solely or in part for the purpose of selecting a governor, lieutenant-governor, attorney-general, comptroller, any judge or any member of the senate or any member of the assembly; or,

2. Directly or indirectly, promise any employment, position, work, compensation, or other benefit, provided for or made possible in whole or in part by any act of congress or of the legislature appropriating funds for work relief or relief purposes, to any person as consideration, favor or reward for any political activity or for the support of or opposition to any candidate or any political party in any nominating convention or in any election; or,

3. Deprive, attempt to deprive or threaten to deprive, by any means, any person of any employment, position, work, compensation or other benefit provided for or made possible in whole or in part by any act of congress or of the legislature appropriating funds for the work relief or relief purposes, on account of any political activity or on account of support for or opposition to any candidate or any political party in any nominating convention or election; or

4. Solicit or receive or be in any manner concerned in soliciting or receiving any assessment, subscription or contribution for any political purpose whatever from any person known by him to be entitled to or receiving compensation, employment or other benefit provided for or made possible by any act of congress or of the legislature appropriating, or authorizing the appropriation of, funds for work relief or relief purposes; or

5. Furnish or to disclose, or to aid or assist in furnishing or

disclosing, any list or names of persons receiving compensation, employment or benefits provided for or made possible by any act of congress or of the legislature appropriating or authorizing the appropriation of, funds for work relief or relief purposes, to a political candidate, committee, campaign manager, or to any person for delivery to a political candidate, committee or campaign manager, and it shall be unlawful for any person to receive any such list or names for political purposes.

No part of any appropriation made by any act of congress or of the legislature, heretofore or hereafter enacted, making appropriations for work relief, relief, or otherwise to increase employment by providing loans and grants for public works projects, shall be used, and no authority conferred by any such act upon any person shall be exercised or administered, for the purpose of interfering with, restraining or coercing any individual in the exercise of his right to vote and to vote as he may choose at any election.

Any person who violates any of the foregoing provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.