

(2) To assist the county governing body in reviewing the status of agricultural districts and land under easement;

(3) To advise the foundation concerning county priorities for agricultural preservation;

(4) To approve or disapprove an application by the county for certification under § 5-408 of the State Finance and Procurement Article;

(5) To promote preservation of agriculture within the county by offering information and assistance to farmers with respect to establishment of districts and purchase of easements; and

(6) To perform any other duties as assigned by the county governing body.

DRAFTER'S NOTE:

Error: Incorrect tabulation in § 2-504.1 of the Agriculture Article.

Occurred: Ch. 883, Acts of 1977.

2-505.

(e) If a portion of a local subdivision's allocation of program open space funds is transferred to the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Fund pursuant to the provisions of [Article - Natural Resources, § 5-903,] § 5-903 OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES ARTICLE, the foundation may utilize such transferred funds only for purchases of easements on land located within the boundaries of the subdivision which requested the transfer of funds. Such transferred open space funds shall be available in addition to any funds which would otherwise be allotted under this subtitle for purchases of easements in the county which requested the transfer of funds; and at the discretion of the local governing body, such transferred open space funds may be used for general purchases, or applied as the local contribution in matching purchases as required in [§ 2-508(a)(3), and § 2-512(b)(1)] §§ 2-508(A)(3) AND 2-512(B)(1) of this subtitle.

DRAFTER'S NOTE:

Error: Obsolete style of citation in § 2-505(e) of the Agriculture Article.

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2-508.

(a) (1) For purposes of this subtitle, the following words have the meanings [indicated:] INDICATED.

[(1)](2) "Total amount to be allotted" means the amount, as certified by the Comptroller, which remains in the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Fund at the beginning of the fiscal year after payment of all expenses of the foundation and the board of trustees during the previous fiscal year as specified in [§ 2-505(c), subparagraphs (1) and (2),] § 2-505(C)(1) AND (2) OF THIS SUBTITLE, and after subtraction of funds committed for payment as consideration for easements purchased