

the contractor "meet" certain requirements for accuracy.

The Human Services Article Review Committee notes, for consideration by the General Assembly, that the reference to the "foster care or kinship care caseload" in subsection (d)(1)(ii) of this section may be too narrow. The General Assembly may wish to substitute a reference to the "out-of-home placement caseload". See Ch. 539, Acts of 1998.

REVISOR'S NOTE TO SECTION:

Former Art. 88A, § 3A(c)(3), which required the Secretary to develop and implement a mandatory in-service training program and competency testing program for caseworkers employed on or before December 31, 1998, and required those caseworkers to complete the training program and pass a competency test before December 31, 1999, in order to continue their employment, is transferred to the Session Laws. These provisions are obsolete because all affected caseworkers passed the test, resigned, or were reassigned to a noncaseload class. The provisions are decodified and retained in the law, however, for historical purposes.

Defined term: "Secretary" § 4-101

4-302. FEDERAL FUNDS.

THE ADMINISTRATION MAY:

- (1) ACCEPT ANY FEDERAL FUNDS OR COMMODITIES;
- (2) MANAGE AND DISPOSE OF ANY FEDERAL FUNDS OR COMMODITIES AS REQUIRED BY FEDERAL LAW; AND
- (3) APPLY THE FEDERAL SOCIAL SECURITY ACT OR ANY OTHER FEDERAL LAW RELATING TO SOCIAL SERVICES TO THE BENEFIT OF THE STATE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 88A, § 15, as it related to social services.

In items (1) and (2) of this section, the reference to federal funds "or" commodities is substituted for the former reference to federal funds "and" commodities to clarify that the Administration may accept, manage, and dispose of federal funds, or commodities, or both.

In item (2) of this section, the former phrase "in whatever manner" is deleted as surplusage.

In item (3) of this section, the reference to the authority to "apply" the federal Social Security Act "to the benefit of the State" is substituted for the former reference to "tak[ing] advantage" of the federal Social Security Act for clarity.

Also in item (3) of this section, the reference to the federal Social Security Act "or" any other federal law is substituted for the former reference to the federal Social Security Act "and" any other federal act to clarify that the