

participants and which has been determined by the Internal Revenue Service to be a qualified trust under §§ 401 and 501 of the Internal Revenue Code.

~~SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, has been passed by a ye and nay vote supported by three fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted.~~

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1990.

Approved May 29, 1990.

---

CHAPTER 445

(Senate Bill 262)

AN ACT concerning

**Social Services Administration – Local Units – Payment of Funeral Expenses**

FOR the purpose of ~~altering~~ increasing over a certain number of years the amount that a local department of social services is authorized to pay for funeral expenses of recipients of aid to families with dependent children, general public assistance, or public assistance to adults under certain circumstances; making certain stylistic changes; and providing for a delayed effective date.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
 Article 88A – Social Services Administration  
 Section 62A  
 Annotated Code of Maryland  
 (1985 Replacement Volume and 1989 Supplement)

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

**Article 88A – Social Services Administration**

62A.

(A) The local unit may pay the reasonable funeral expenses, ~~not to exceed~~ ~~(\$650) \$1,200 \$900~~, of recipients of aid to families with dependent children, general public assistance, public assistance to adults, and on and after January 1, 1974 all Maryland recipients of assistance payments from the federal Supplemental Security Income Program under Title XVI of the Social Security Act. ~~Provided that any persons legally responsible for the support of the decedent are unable to pay the expenses, and that other resources, including available death benefits or the estate of the decedent, are insufficient to pay the funeral expenses. The cost of the payment shall be charged to~~