

## VETOES

(I) THE OFFICE AND THE FOUNDATION SHALL REPORT ON THE CERTIFICATION PROGRAM ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 15 OF EACH YEAR TO THE GOVERNOR, THE BUDGET COMMITTEES AND THE HOUSE COMMITTEES ON WAYS AND MEANS AND ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF FISCAL SERVICES.

### Article – Agriculture

2-504.1.

In each county containing productive agricultural land, the county governing body shall appoint an agricultural preservation advisory board.

(c) Duties of each agricultural preservation advisory board shall be:

(1) To advise the county governing body with respect to the establishment of agricultural districts and the approval of purchases of easements by the foundation within the county;

(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

body. [(5)] (6) To perform any other duties as assigned by the county governing

2-508.1.

(A) IF A COUNTY IS CERTIFIED BY THE OFFICE OF PLANNING UNDER § 5-408 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE AS HAVING ESTABLISHED AN EFFECTIVE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION PROGRAM, AND IF THERE ARE MONEYS REMAINING IN THE MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION FUND AT THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR, THE COUNTY MAY APPLY TO THE FOUNDATION FOR AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN:

(1) THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT ALLOTTED ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY UNDER GENERAL ALLOTTED PURCHASES OF EASEMENTS AS PROVIDED IN § 2-508(B)(1) OF THIS SUBTITLE IN BOTH OFFER CYCLES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR IN WHICH EASEMENT PURCHASES ARE MADE; AND