- (1) That each employee will complete his training satisfactorily and will continue in the service of the State of Maryland for a period equal to three times the number of classroom hours spent in outservice training, unless prior to the expiration of the period of obligated service he is involuntarily separated from the employment of the State of Maryland. The period of time an employee is required to agree to continue in the service of the State shall begin on the first day after the end of the training covered by this agreement;
- (2) That if the employee is voluntarily separated following training, and prior to the expiration of the period for which he had agreed to continue in the service of the State of Maryland, he will pay to the State of Maryland, the amount of additional expenses incurred by it in connection with his out-service training on a pro rata basis.
- (b) Agreements are not required under the following circumstances:
- (1) when out-service training is provided by manufacturers as a normal service incidental to initial purchase or lease of their products;
- (2) when out-service training will not exceed one hundred and twenty hours in a single six month period or three hundred and fifty dollars for tuition and related fees;
- (3) when training will involve no expense to the State of Maryland.
  - (8) Failure to Fulfill Obligated Service Agreements
  - (a) Employees Who Transfer to Another Agency:

An employee who transfers to another State agency before fulfilling his period of obligated service shall not be required to pay the additional expenses of out-service training.

(b) Employees Who Leave State Service:

An employee who leaves State service before completing his period of obligated service shall reimburse the State of Maryland on a prorata basis for the costs of additional expenses incurred through outservice training.

## (9) Recovery of Funds

A sum equal to the amount of such additional expenses of training shall be recoverable by the State of Maryland by any means the State Law Department may prescribe.

## (10) Training Specialists

- (a) Use of either training or subject matter specialists on a contract or "purchase of training services" basis to plan or conduct training courses for State employees may be appropriate when all of the following conditions exist:
- (1) adequate training in the subject field is not otherwise reasonably available;
- (2) the specialist can adequately fulfill the training need at reasonable cost.