

Administrative Departments," subtitle "Department of Economic and Community Development," to be under the new subheading "Community Development Administration," to follow immediately after Section 266 thereof, to read as follows:

266 DD-1. Community Development Administration

(a) It is found and declared that in this era of rapid population growth and expansion and of increasing urbanization, there is a need, in many areas of the State, to promote sound community development.

It is further found and declared that the counties and municipalities of this state do not have adequate resources to, and the ordinary operations of private enterprise cannot without state assistance, deal effectively with all of the problems of sound community development.

IT IS FURTHER FOUND THAT A NEED EXISTS TO COORDINATE AND CONCENTRATE FEDERAL, STATE, REGIONAL AND LOCAL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS AND RESOURCES.

It is further found and declared that to promote sound community development is a proper public purpose and State use for which public money may be expended and property may be acquired, and that the functions and responsibilities of the Community Development Administration as hereinafter set forth are necessary and proper for the purpose of achieving the ends here recited.

(b) The Community Development Administration is hereby created as a division of the principal Department of Economic and Community Development to coordinate the various activities and programs which may contribute to sound community development, to encourage and facilitate the development of new and existing communities by reducing the costs of development through grants and loans, making available land for such development and by assisting the efforts of private enterprise, municipalities, counties, local public agencies and local development corporations. GRANTS OF LAND OR MONEY SHALL BE LIMITED TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS OR TO ORGANIZATIONS WHICH ARE DEFINED UNDER SEC. 266 DD-3(D), (E), (F), AND (G).

266 DD-2. Director of Community Development

The Secretary of Economic and Community Development, with the approval of the Governor, shall appoint the Director of the Community Development Administration who shall serve at the pleasure of the Secretary. The position of Director shall not be subject to the provisions of Article 64A of this Code. The Director shall operate and exercise the powers of this Administration under the direction of the Secretary of Economic and Community Development in accordance with the provisions of this law. The Director shall receive such salary and have such deputies, assistants, employees and professional consultants as provided in the State Budget.