

departments or agencies for study, advice and recommendation by the Department [of State Planning] and for consideration for inclusion in the capital program of the State. Such department or agency heads shall also, upon request, submit such information to the Department [of State Planning] and to the Department of Budget and Fiscal Planning as these agencies may require in the preparation of the program. The Department [of State Planning] shall receive the assistance of the Department of Budget and Fiscal Planning in connection with the preparation of the annual capital budget.

[7.] 9. Revolving Preliminary Planning Fund.

The Governor shall provide in his annual budget a sum sufficient to establish a Revolving Preliminary Planning Fund under the jurisdiction of the Board of Public Works. For any project which is a part of the capital improvement programs established pursuant to § [6] 8, funds may be made available, upon recommendation of the Department [of State Planning] with the approval of the Board of Public Works, for preliminary plans, studies, designs, and outline specifications from the Revolving Preliminary Planning Fund. Such sums advanced shall be reimbursed to the Revolving Preliminary Planning Fund with the approval of the Board of Public Works out of the annual general construction loan, or from any other special loan funds separately authorized by the General Assembly or from general funds.

[8.] 10. Assistance to metropolitan, regional and local planning agencies; matching federal funds; audits of local agencies.

The Department [of State Planning] may render financial or other planning assistance to county, municipal or other local governments, instrumentalities or planning agencies and to regional or metropolitan planning commissions. Such assistance may be conditioned on equal, larger or smaller contributions by the agency which request such assistance, but in any case in which funds or services are requested and received by the Department [of State Planning] from any federal agency for planning assistance to county, municipal or other local governments, instrumentalities or planning agencies, or to regional or metropolitan planning commissions, the condition imposed by federal law or regulation shall be carried out. Whenever federal laws or regulations condition such grants upon equal, larger or smaller contributions without specifications as to whether the State, or the locality receiving planning assistance shall make such contribution, the Department [of State Planning] may supply such contribution or any part thereof. Whenever the Department [of State