

§ 5. Commission to establish and administer program; conformity to federal act; presentation to Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare; inclusion of item in Commission's budget.

The Maryland Commission on Aging shall establish and administer a nutritional program for the elderly, which shall conform to the provisions of Title 7 of the Federal Older Americans Act of 1965. The Commission shall present the plan for the program to the Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare for approval for a grant of 90% of the total program funds under the federal nutritional program for the elderly. The Commission may include in its annual budget an amount, to be funded from the general funds of the State, of not more than 10% of the total program cost, which shall represent the nonfederal share of the nutrition program.

§ 6. Purpose of program; duties of Commission toward agencies included in program; charge for meals; home delivery.

(a) The nutritional program for the elderly shall provide elderly persons with low cost, nutritionally sound meals served in centrally located facilities such as schools, churches, community centers, and other public or private nonprofit institutions.

(b) The commission shall provide consultative services and technical assistance to any public or private nonprofit organization or agency included in the program; provide short-term training and technical instruction to these organizations; and collect, prepare, publish and disseminate special educational or informational material on this matter. The Commission may reimburse these organizations for any funds expended in carrying out the purposes of the program.

(c) Persons receiving services under the program may be charged for meals, taking into account such considerations as income and need. Home delivery of meals may be included within the program if the circumstances require this service.]

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That new Article 70B - Office on Aging, Sections 1 through [[6]] 5, be and it is hereby added to the Annotated Code of Maryland (1970 Replacement Volume and 1974 Supplement) to read as follows:

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