

TRANSFER OF PROPERTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF RENDERING HIMSELF ELIGIBLE FOR ASSISTANCE UNDER THIS SECTION AT ANY TIME WITHIN 3 YEARS IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO THE FILING OF APPLICATION FOR ASSISTANCE OR THE RECEIPT OF ASSISTANCE PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ARTICLE.

88.

(A) THE SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION MAY IMPLEMENT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE FEDERAL FOOD STAMP ACT, A FOOD STAMP PROGRAM IN WHICH THE CITY OF BALTIMORE AND ALL COUNTIES OF THE STATE SHALL PARTICIPATE. THE FOOD STAMP PROGRAM SHALL BE ADMINISTERED BY THE CITY OF BALTIMORE AND ALL COUNTIES OF THE STATE UNDER THE SUPERVISION AND CONTROL OF THE SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION AND IN CONFORMITY WITH THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION AND APPLICABLE FEDERAL STATUTES, RULES AND REGULATIONS.

(B) IF REQUESTED BY THE SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION, THE CITY OF BALTIMORE AND ALL COUNTIES OF THE STATE SHALL ENTER INTO A WRITTEN AGREEMENT WITH THE SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION PROVIDING FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE FOOD STAMP PROGRAM IN THE CITY OF BALTIMORE AND ALL COUNTIES OF THE STATE.

(C) IN THE EVENT THAT THE CITY OF BALTIMORE OR ANY OF THE COUNTIES OF THE STATE SHALL FAIL OR REFUSE TO PARTICIPATE IN AND ADMINISTER A FOOD STAMP PROGRAM PURSUANT TO THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION AND APPLICABLE FEDERAL STATUTES, RULES AND REGULATIONS, THE SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION MAY ADMINISTER, AT ITS OPTION, A FOOD STAMP PROGRAM IN THE CITY OF BALTIMORE OR COUNTIES OF THE STATE.

(D) IF ANY PROVISION OF THIS SUBTITLE CONFLICTS WITH ANY APPLICABLE FEDERAL STATUTE, RULE OR REGULATION, THE FEDERAL STATUTE, RULE OR REGULATION, SHALL PREVAIL.

SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Sections 3(a), 18A(b), 62A, 63, 64, 66, 67, 71, 76, 77 and 78 of Article 88A - Social Services Administration, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume and 1974 Supplement) be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 88A - Social Services Administration

3.

(a) The State Department shall be the central, coordinating and directing agency of all social service