

CHAPTER 499

(House Bill 979)

AN ACT concerning

State Aid for Police Protection

FOR the purpose of providing distribution for State aid for police protection funds directly to certain counties and qualifying municipalities.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 15A - Budget and Fiscal Planning  
Section 36, 37(b) and (c), 38, and 39  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1976 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Sections 36, 37(b) and (c), 38, and 39 of Article 15A - Budget and Fiscal Planning, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1976 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement) be and they are hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 15A - Budget and Fiscal Planning

36.

The State Aid for Police Protection Fund is a continuing grant, intended for and to be used exclusively to provide ~~adequ~~ ADEQUATE police protection in the subdivisions AND QUALIFYING MUNICIPALITIES of this State, by State and subdivision sharing of costs on an equitable basis within certain limits related to population factors. Provided, however, that nothing herein shall be construed as requiring a subdivision or qualifying municipality to appropriate or to expend more for police protection than the sum of the amount received in State aid under this program and local funds equal to that percentage of the local wealth used in calculating the State share in basic expenditures under the provisions of § 37 (b) (1) of this article.

37.

(b) For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1975, and thereafter, the State shall pay to each subdivision, AND TO EACH QUALIFYING MUNICIPALITY, each year in the manner and subject to the limitations and requirements hereinafter provided, an amount determined as follows:

(1) Share in Basic Expenditure. If the aggregate expenditures for police protection in a subdivision equal or exceed \$6.00 per capita, the State