- THE PROGRAM, AND SHALL PROVIDE SUCH APPROPRIATE SUPPORT SERVICES TO THE PROGRAM AS-ARE-APPROPRIATE; FROM EXISTING BUDGETS.
- (4) FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE SHALL BE GIVEN IN ACCORDANCE WITH A SLIDING PAYMENT SCALE ESTABLISHED BY THE DIRECTOR.
- (5) THE DIRECTOR SHALL REVIEW ON AN ANNUAL BASIS THE ELIGIBILITY OF INDIVIDUALS RECEIVING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.
- (B) (1) THE DIRECTOR SHALL INSURE THAT AT ANY GIVEN TIME AT LEAST 50 PERCENT OF THE INDIVIDUALS RECEIVING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER THE PROGRAM ARE:
 - (I) GAINFULLY EMPLOYED; OR
 - (II) ACTIVELY SEEKING EMPLOYMENT.
- (2) THE REMAINDER OF THE ELIGIBLE DISABLED INDIVIDUALS ASSISTED UNDER THIS PROGRAM SHALL BE INDIVIDUALS WHO CURRENTLY:
- (I) RESIDE IN A NURSING HOME OR SIMILAR INSTITUTION LICENSED TO PROVIDE CHRONIC OR INTERMEDIATE CARE AND WHO WILL BE DEINSTITUTIONALIZED AS A RESULT OF THIS PROGRAM; OR
- (II) ARE ON AN APPROVED WAITING LIST FOR \mathtt{THis} OF AN INSTITUTION.
- (C) FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDED UNDER THIS PROGRAM MAY NOT DUPLICATE ANY ASSISTANCE PROVIDED BY:
- (1) THE ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES PROGRAM MANDATED BY ARTICLE 88A OF THE CODE; OR
- (2) THE MEDICAID PERSONAL CARE PROGRAM MANDATED BY THIS ARTICLE.

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- (A) THE-ATTENDANT-GARE-SERVICES-PROGRAM-SHALL-BE FUNDED-AT-\$150,000-IN-EACH-OF-THE-FISCAL-YEARS-1983,-1984, AND-1985,-THESE-FUNDS-SHALL-BE-USED-SOLELY-FOR-PROVIDING PAYMENTS-TO-ELIGIBLE-DISABLED-INDIVIDUALS,---PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION-COSTS-SHALL-BE-RECOVERED-FROM-EXISTING APPROPRIATIONS THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ALLOCATE FUNDS FOR THE ATTENDANT CARE SERVICES PROGRAM AND FOR ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS AS PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATE BUDGET.
- (B) THE DEPARTMENT MAY ADMINISTER THE PROGRAM DIRECTLY OR MAY ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH A PRIVATE ORGANIZATION TO ADMINISTER AND OPERATE THE PROGRAM; AND: