

(B) -- PROPOSALS -- TO -- ALTER -- FUNDAMENTAL -- FEDERAL/STATE RELATIONS -- INCLUDES -- BUT -- IS -- NOT -- LIMITED -- TO -- TRANSFER -- OF PROGRAMS -- FROM -- ONE -- LEVEL -- OF -- GOVERNMENT -- TO -- ANOTHER.

(C) -- IMPLEMENTATION -- OF -- A -- BLOCK -- GRANT -- TO -- PARTICIPATE IN -- A -- BLOCK -- GRANT -- THE -- FEDERAL -- AUTHORIZING -- STATUTE -- MAY -- REQUIRE THE -- GOVERNOR -- OR -- OTHER -- STATE -- OFFICIAL -- TO -- TAKE -- CERTAIN -- ACTIONS ON -- BEHALF -- OF -- THE -- STATE -- AND -- MAY -- INCLUDE -- THE -- DISCRETION -- TO DETERMINE -- WHETHER -- TO -- ACCEPT -- OR -- REJECT -- RESPONSIBILITY -- FOR -- THE BLOCK -- GRANT, -- OR -- TO -- DETERMINE -- THE -- DATE -- ON -- WHICH -- THE -- STATE WILL -- ACCEPT -- RESPONSIBILITY -- OR -- OTHERWISE -- TO -- DETERMINE -- WHETHER THE -- STATE -- WILL -- PARTICIPATE -- IN -- THE -- BLOCK -- GRANT.

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(A) -- IF -- IS -- THE -- POLICY -- OF -- THE -- STATE -- OF -- MARYLAND -- THAT IMPLEMENTATION -- OF -- FEDERAL -- LEGISLATION -- WHEREBY -- A -- STATE -- IS GRANTED -- DISCRETION -- AS -- TO -- PARTICIPATION -- IN -- A -- BLOCK -- GRANT PROGRAM -- OR -- TRANSFER -- OF -- FUNDS -- BETWEEN -- BLOCK -- GRANTS -- OR PARTICIPATION -- IN -- A -- PROGRAM -- THAT -- ALTERS -- FUNDAMENTAL FEDERAL/STATE -- RELATIONS -- SHALL -- INVOLVE -- CONSULTATION -- BETWEEN THE -- EXECUTIVE -- AND -- THE -- LEGISLATURE. -- IT -- IS -- THE -- FURTHER -- POLICY THAT -- ALL -- FUNDS -- FOR -- BLOCK -- GRANTS -- OR -- OTHER -- PROGRAMS -- THAT -- ALTER FUNDAMENTAL -- FEDERAL/STATE -- RELATIONS -- SHALL -- BE -- APPROPRIATED -- IN ACCORDANCE -- WITH -- THE -- CONSTITUTIONAL -- AND -- STATUTORY -- PROVISIONS RELATING -- TO -- THE -- STATE -- BUDGET.

(B) -- IF -- THE -- FEDERAL -- STATUTE -- PROVIDES -- FOR -- DISCRETION -- IN STATE -- IMPLEMENTATION -- OF -- A -- BLOCK -- GRANT -- OR -- THE -- TRANSFER -- OF FUNDS -- BETWEEN -- BLOCK -- GRANTS, -- OR -- IN -- A -- PROGRAM -- THAT -- ALTERS FUNDAMENTAL -- FEDERAL/STATE -- RELATIONS, -- THE -- GOVERNOR -- SHALL -- NOT PROCEED -- WITH -- FINAL -- ACTION -- TO -- IMPLEMENT -- THE -- FEDERAL -- STATUTE EXCEPT -- AS -- PROVIDED -- IN -- THIS -- SUBTITLE.

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(A) -- IF -- THE -- GENERAL -- ASSEMBLY -- IS -- IN -- SESSION, -- THE GOVERNOR -- SHALL -- INCLUDE -- IN -- THE -- STATE -- BUDGET -- THE -- FUNDS -- TO IMPLEMENT -- THE -- BLOCK -- GRANT -- OR -- THE -- TRANSFER -- OF -- FUNDS -- BETWEEN BLOCK -- GRANTS, -- OR -- ANY -- PROGRAM -- THAT -- ALTERS -- FUNDAMENTAL FEDERAL/STATE -- RELATIONS.

(B) -- IF -- THE -- GENERAL -- ASSEMBLY -- DOES -- NOT -- STRIKE -- THE -- FUNDS, THE -- BLOCK -- GRANT -- SHALL -- BE -- IMPLEMENTED -- OR -- THE -- FUNDS TRANSFERRED -- FROM -- BLOCK -- GRANT -- TO -- BLOCK -- GRANT -- IN -- ACCORDANCE WITH -- THE -- PROVISIONS -- OF -- THE -- BUDGET -- BILL -- OR -- THE -- PROGRAM -- THAT ALTERS -- FUNDAMENTAL -- FEDERAL/STATE -- RELATIONS -- SHALL -- BE IMPLEMENTED.

(C) -- IF -- THE -- FUNDS -- ARE -- DELETED -- FROM -- THE -- BUDGET -- BILL, -- THE BLOCK -- GRANT -- SHALL -- NOT -- BE -- IMPLEMENTED -- EXCEPT -- TO -- THE -- EXTENT THAT -- IMPLEMENTATION -- IS -- MANDATED -- BY -- FEDERAL -- STATUTE -- OR -- THE FUNDS -- TRANSFERRED -- BETWEEN -- BLOCK -- GRANTS -- EXCEPT -- TO -- THE -- EXTENT THE -- TRANSFER -- IS -- MANDATED -- BY -- FEDERAL -- STATUTE -- OR -- THE -- PROGRAM THAT -- ALTERS -- FUNDAMENTAL -- FEDERAL/STATE -- RELATIONS -- SHALL -- NOT -- BE