

~~20-303-~~ 21-503.

(A) ~~THE ATTENDANT CARE SERVICES PROGRAM SHALL BE FUNDED AT \$150,000 IN EACH OF THE FISCAL YEARS 1983, 1984, AND 1985~~ 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:

(1) IF THE PROGRAM IS ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT, THE FUNDS SHALL BE USED AS PAYMENTS FOR ATTENDANT CARE SERVICES AND NOT FOR ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS; OR

(2) IF THE DEPARTMENT ENTERS INTO A CONTRACT WITH A PRIVATE ORGANIZATION, THE PRIVATE ORGANIZATION MAY USE THE FUNDS AS PAYMENTS FOR ATTENDANT CARE SERVICES AND FOR REASONABLE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS. THE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS ALLOWED UNDER THE CONTRACT SHALL BE NEGOTIATED AND APPROVED BY THE DIRECTOR.

~~(B)~~(C) THIS SUBTITLE DOES NOT PREVENT APPROPRIATION OF ADDITIONAL FUNDS BY ANY COUNTY TO BE USED AS ATTENDANT CARE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.

~~20-304-~~ 21-504.

(A) NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 1, 1982, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CREATE AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO PROVIDE GUIDANCE TO THE DEPARTMENT IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF:

(1) THE SLIDING PAYMENT SCALE; AND

(2) RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR AND A PROGRESS REPORT ON THE ATTENDANT CARE PROGRAM.

(B) THE COMMITTEE SHALL CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING:

(1) 1 REPRESENTATIVE EACH FROM:

(I) THE DIVISION OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION;

(II) THE MEDICAID PERSONAL CARE PROGRAM, POLICY ADMINISTRATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE;