- (ii) Has been prepared using a markup language that maintains the structural integrity of the information and can be processed by braille translation software] COORDINATE WITH THE NATIONAL INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS ACCESS CENTER TO FACILITATE THE TIMELY TRANSFER OF THE ELECTRONIC FILES OR INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS SENT BY PUBLISHERS TO THE INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCE RESOURCES CENTER ESTABLISHED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION TO CONVERT THE INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS INTO SPECIALIZED FORMATS OF:
- (±) 1. ELECTRONIC FILES OR INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS SENT BY PUBLISHERS FOR THE INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES CENTER TO CONVERT THE INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS INTO SPECIALIZED FORMATS; AND
- (H) 2. ELECTRONIC FILES OR INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS PURCHASED FROM A PUBLISHER IN A SPECIALIZED FORMAT.
- (4) <u>BEGINNING ON JULY 1, 2007</u>, THE INSTRUCTIONAL <u>RESOURCE</u> <u>RESOURCES</u> CENTER SHALL <u>ENSURE THAT MAKE REASONABLE EFFORTS TO PROVIDE</u> THE INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS IN SPECIALIZED FORMATS ARE <u>AVAILABLE</u> TO STUDENTS WHO ARE BLIND OR <u>HAVE OTHER QUALIFYING DISABILITIES</u> <u>VISUALLY IMPAIRED</u> FOR USE ON THE FIRST DAY OF CLASSES EACH YEAR OR IN A TIMELY MANNER.
- (e) BEGINNING IN FISCAL YEAR 2008 AND ANNUALLY THEREAFTER, THE GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE \$150,000 IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET SUBMISSION FOR THE INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES CENTER ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS SECTION BY THE DEPARTMENT.
- (F) The State Board shall adopt regulations consistent with § 7-910 of this article to implement the provisions of this section.

SUBTITLE 9. INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS FOR BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED STUDENTS.

11-901.

- (A) IN THIS SECTION, "NIMAS" HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 8–408 OF THIS ARTICLE:
- (B) ON THE REQUEST OF AN ELICIBLE STUDENT WHO IS BLIND OR HAS ANOTHER QUALIFYING DISABILITY, THE MARYLAND LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED SHALL REQUEST THAT A PUBLISHER THAT OFFERS FOR SALE ELECTRONIC OR PRINTED TEXTBOOKS USED BY STUDENTS ENROLLED IN INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND INSTITUTIONS OF POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION IN THE STATE PROVIDE AN ELECTRONIC COPY OF THE INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIAL TO THE MARYLAND LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED USING NIMAS.
- (C) THE MARYLAND LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED MAY DETERMINE THE ELICIBILITY OF THE STUDENTS REQUESTING THE INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION.