

14-106.

(e) The subsidy required under the Senior Prescription Drug Assistance Program may not exceed:

- (1) For the period of January 1, 2006, through June 30, 2006, \$8,000,000;
- (2) For fiscal year 2007, \$14,000,000; [and]
- (3) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008, \$14,000,000; AND
- (4) For any year, the value of the nonprofit health service plan's premium tax exemption under § 6-101(b) of this article.

## 14-511.

(a) There is a Senior Prescription Drug Assistance Program.

(b) The purpose of the Program is to provide Medicare Part D beneficiaries, who meet Program eligibility requirements, with a State [subsidy for a portion of their:

- (1) Medicare Part D prescription drug plan premium and deductible; or
- (2) Medicare Advantage Plan premium and deductible related to a prescription drug benefit] SUBSIDY.

(c) The Board shall contract with a third party to administer the Program.

(d) The Administrator of the Program shall:

- (1) submit a detailed financial accounting of the Program to the Board as often as the Board requires;
- (2) collect and submit to the Board data regarding the utilization patterns and costs for Program enrollees; and
- (3) develop and implement a marketing plan targeted at eligible individuals throughout the State.

## 14-512.

(a) The Program shall:

(1) [subject to the moneys available in the segregated account under § 14-504 of this subtitle, provide benefits to the maximum number of individuals eligible for enrollment in the Program; and] PROVIDE A PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFIT SUBSIDY, AS DETERMINED BY THE BOARD, THAT MAY PAY ALL OR SOME OF THE DEDUCTIBLES, COINSURANCE PAYMENTS, PREMIUMS, AND COPAYMENTS UNDER THE FEDERAL MEDICARE PART D PHARMACEUTICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR ENROLLEES OF THE PROGRAM; AND

(2) [provide a State subsidy for a portion of the cost of Medicare Part D and Medicare Advantage Plan drug-related premiums and deductibles] PROVIDE THE SUBSIDY TO THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE FOR