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SECTION 2. 3. 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

## Article - Health - General

SUBTITLE 22. COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCES  $\underline{COMMISSION}$  FUND. 19–2201.

- (A) IN THIS SECTION, "FUND" MEANS THE COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCES  $\underline{COMMISSION}$  FUND.
  - (B) THERE IS A COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCES COMMISSION FUND.
- (C) (1) THE FUND IS A SPECIAL, NONLAPSING FUND THAT IS NOT SUBJECT TO § 7–302 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE.
- (2) THE STATE TREASURER SHALL HOLD THE FUND SEPARATELY, AND THE COMPTROLLER SHALL ACCOUNT FOR THE FUND.
  - (D) THE FUND CONSISTS OF:
- (1) MONEY APPROPRIATED IN THE STATE BUDGET TO THE FUND; AND MONEY COLLECTED FROM A NONPROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 14–106.1 OF THE INSURANCE ARTICLE;
  - (2) INTEREST EARNED ON INVESTMENTS;
  - (3) MONEY DONATED TO THE FUND;
  - (4) MONEY AWARDED TO THE FUND THROUGH GRANTS; AND
- (2) (5) ANY OTHER MONEY FROM ANY OTHER SOURCE ACCEPTED FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE FUND.
  - (E) (1) THE FUND MAY BE USED ONLY TO:
- (1) (I) COVER THE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS OF THE COMMISSION AS OF JULY 1, 2005 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2008;
- $\frac{(2)}{(2)}$  (II) COVER THE ACTUAL DOCUMENTED DIRECT COSTS OF FULFILLING THE STATUTORY AND REGULATORY DUTIES OF THE COMMISSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE AS OF JULY 1, 2005 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2008; AND
- (3) (III) PROVIDE OPERATING GRANTS TOTALING \$5,000,000 ANNUALLY BEGINNING IN FISCAL YEAR 2006, LESS THE COSTS INCURRED BY THE COMMISSION UNDER PARACRAPHS (1) AND (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, TO QUALIFYING COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCES; AND
- (IV) PROVIDE FUNDING FOR THE DEVELOPMENT, SUPPORT, AND MONITORING OF A UNIFIED DATA INFORMATION SYSTEM AMONG PRIMARY AND SPECIALTY CARE PROVIDERS, HOSPITALS, AND OTHER PROVIDERS OF SERVICES TO COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCE MEMBERS.