

(I) ILLNESS;

(II) IMMINENT CHILDBIRTH;

(III) DIFFICULTY OF ACCESS TO THE LOCAL AGENCY;

(IV) HANDICAPPING CONDITION.

~~(2) IN A SUBDIVISION WITH A POPULATION OF MORE THAN 400,000, THE SECRETARY SHALL INSTITUTE A PILOT PROGRAM IN WHICH PARTICIPANTS UTILIZE A CREDIT CARD SYSTEM INSTEAD OF A FOOD INSTRUMENT SYSTEM.~~

(4) THE SECRETARY SHALL INSTITUTE AT LEAST ONE PILOT PROGRAM IN A LOCAL SUBDIVISION OR PART OF A SUBDIVISION UTILIZING A CREDIT CARD SYSTEM ALONG WITH OR IN PLACE OF A FOOD INSTRUMENT SYSTEM. IMPLEMENTATION MUST TAKE PLACE WITHIN A REASONABLE PERIOD OF TIME FROM THE DATE OF ENACTMENT OF THIS SECTION, UNLESS SUCH A PILOT PROGRAM IS FOUND TO BE INCONSISTENT WITH FEDERAL LAW SUBSECTION (D) OF THIS SECTION AND A WAIVER IS NOT GRANTED.

~~(e) THE ALLOCATION OF FUNDS TO COVER ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS OF THE PROGRAM SHALL BE:~~

~~(1) 10 PERCENT TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE; AND~~

~~(2) 82 PERCENT TO THE LOCAL AGENCIES.~~

(C) (1) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL MAXIMIZE DISTRIBUTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDS TO LOCAL AGENCIES IN A MANNER THAT ASSURES EQUITY AMONG THE LOCAL AGENCIES.

(2) THE DISTRIBUTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDS TO LOCAL AGENCIES SHALL BE REVIEWED ANNUALLY BY THE GOVERNOR'S ADVISORY COUNCIL ON FOOD AND NUTRITION, WHICH MAY THEN RECOMMEND ADJUSTMENTS TO THE GOVERNOR, THE DEPARTMENT, AND THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

(D) THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION ARE EFFECTIVE ONLY TO THE EXTENT THAT THEY ARE NOT INCONSISTENT WITH APPLICABLE FEDERAL LAW OR REGULATIONS.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1986.

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