

(C) (D) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL SET REASONABLE FEES FOR THE ACCREDITATION OF PERSONS ~~ENGAGED IN LEAD OCCUPATIONS~~ WHO PROVIDE LEAD PAINT ABATEMENT SERVICES SUFFICIENT TO COVER THE DEPARTMENT'S DIRECT AND INDIRECT COSTS OF ADMINISTERING THIS SUBTITLE.

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(A) THERE IS A LEAD ACCREDITATION FUND.

(B) (1) ALL FEES COLLECTED UNDER § 6-1003(C) AND FINES AND PENALTIES IMPOSED UNDER § 6-1005 OF THIS SUBTITLE SHALL BE DEPOSITED IN THE LEAD ACCREDITATION FUND.

(2) THE DEPARTMENT MAY APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT ANY FUNDS OR GRANTS FROM ANY FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL, OR PRIVATE SOURCE FOR CREDIT TO THE FUND THAT MIGHT ASSIST WITH DEVELOPMENT, ESTABLISHMENT, ADMINISTRATION, AND EDUCATION AND ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES OF THE LEAD PAINT ABATEMENT SERVICES ACCREDITATION PROGRAM UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

(C) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL USE THE LEAD ACCREDITATION FUND FOR ACTIVITIES BY THE DEPARTMENT THAT ARE RELATED TO PROCESSING, MONITORING AND REGULATING THE ACCREDITATION OF ~~LEAD OCCUPATIONS~~ LEAD PAINT ABATEMENT SERVICES, AND FOR PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT OF THESE ACTIVITIES.

(D) (1) THE LEAD ACCREDITATION FUND SHALL BE A CONTINUING, NONLAPSING SPECIAL FUND, AND IS NOT SUBJECT TO § 7-302 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE.

(2) THE STATE TREASURER SHALL HOLD AND THE STATE COMPTROLLER SHALL ACCOUNT FOR THE ACCREDITATION FUND.

(3) THE ACCREDITATION FUND SHALL BE INVESTED AND REINVESTED. ANY INVESTMENT EARNINGS SHALL BE PAID INTO THE ACCREDITATION FUND.

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EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED, THE PROVISIONS AND PROCEDURES OF § 6-420 THROUGH § 6-422 AND § 7-266(B) OF THIS ARTICLE SHALL BE USED AND SHALL APPLY TO ENFORCE VIOLATIONS OF:

- (1) THIS SUBTITLE;
- (2) ANY REGULATIONS ADOPTED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE; AND
- (3) ANY CONDITION OF ACCREDITATION ISSUED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That it is the intention of the General Assembly that the Lead Paint Abatement Services Accreditation Program established by this Act be the State certification program required under the federal Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act. To the extent permitted by federal law, the Lead Paint Abatement Services Accreditation Program and the Lead