

(2) EXCEPT UNDER EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES, AN AWARD MAY NOT BE MADE FOR AN INNOVATIVE IDEA THAT IS UNDER ACTIVE STUDY OR CONTINUAL REVIEW BY A UNIT OF STATE GOVERNMENT.

(D) EVALUATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

(1) THE HEAD OF EACH PRINCIPAL UNIT SHALL ESTABLISH A REVIEW COMMITTEE TO EVALUATE AND RECOMMEND AWARDS FOR INNOVATIVE IDEAS BY EMPLOYEES OF THAT UNIT.

(2) TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE, WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER AN INNOVATIVE IDEA IS SUBMITTED TO THE REVIEW COMMITTEE, THE HEAD OF THE UNIT SHALL DECIDE WHETHER TO GIVE AN INNOVATIVE IDEA AWARD.

(E) AMOUNT OF AWARD.

FOR AN INNOVATIVE IDEA, THE HEAD OF A PRINCIPAL UNIT MAY GIVE AN EMPLOYEE OF THAT UNIT A CASH AWARD OF NOT MORE THAN:

(1) \$1,000 FOR AN INNOVATIVE IDEA WITH A REASONABLY ASCERTAINABLE MONETARY SAVINGS OR GAIN TO THIS STATE; OR

(2) \$300 FOR ANY OTHER INNOVATIVE IDEA.

(F) GOVERNOR'S AWARD PANEL.

(1) THERE IS A GOVERNOR'S AWARD PANEL.

(2) THE GOVERNOR'S AWARD PANEL CONSISTS OF FIVE MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR, AT LEAST THREE OF WHOM SHALL BE PUBLIC MEMBERS WHO SERVE WITHOUT COMPENSATION.

(G) SUBMISSION TO GOVERNOR'S AWARD PANEL.

(1) THE HEAD OF A PRINCIPAL UNIT SHALL SUBMIT TO THE GOVERNOR'S AWARD PANEL EACH INNOVATIVE IDEA FOR WHICH AN AWARD IS MADE UNDER SUBSECTION (E) OF THIS SECTION, WITH A RECOMMENDATION FOR ANY ADDITIONAL AWARD BY THE GOVERNOR.

(2) THE GOVERNOR'S AWARD PANEL SHALL:

(I) REVIEW EACH INNOVATIVE IDEA SUBMITTED TO IT; AND

(II) AT LEAST ONCE A YEAR, MAKE A RECOMMENDATION TO THE GOVERNOR ABOUT ADDITIONAL CASH AWARDS FOR THE INNOVATIVE IDEAS.

(H) ADDITIONAL AWARD BY GOVERNOR.

(1) THE GOVERNOR MAY MAKE AN ADDITIONAL CASH AWARD FOR AN INNOVATIVE IDEA.

(2) THE ADDITIONAL AWARD MAY NOT EXCEED \$20,000.

(I) EFFECT OF STATE'S USE OF INNOVATIVE IDEA.