

CHAPTER 676

(House Bill 1459)

AN ACT concerning

Housing – Operating Assistance Grants – Capacity Building and Production

FOR the purpose of altering certain eligibility requirements for certain grants; deleting certain limitations on certain grants; clarifying certain grant amount limits; and generally relating to the Department of Housing and Community Development and operating assistance grants.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 83B – Department of Housing and Community Development

Section 2-1202, 2-1203, and 2-1204

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1991 Replacement Volume and 1993 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 83B – Department of Housing and Community Development

2-1202.

(a) The Department, under a demonstration project, shall make operating assistance grants to nonprofit organizations for the purpose of building their capacity to participate in HOUSING projects or activities authorized by the programs established in this title that are financed through the Rental Housing Programs Fund, the Homeownership Programs Fund, [or] the Special Loan Programs Fund, OR OTHERWISE FINANCED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY THE DEPARTMENT.

(b) To be eligible for an operating assistance grant under this section a nonprofit organization must [:

(1) Have] HAVE limited expertise or no recent experience in participating in projects or activities FINANCED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY THE DEPARTMENT [authorized by the programs referred to in subsection (a) of this section; and

(2) Not have received previously an operating assistance grant under this section].

2-1203.

The Department, under a demonstration project, shall make operating assistance grants to nonprofit organizations in order to facilitate the production or rehabilitation of limited income housing by nonprofit organizations or by individuals assisted by nonprofit organizations if:

(1) The nonprofit organization meets performance and other standards established by the Department; and