

~~WHEREAS, The Case formula reflects a funding partnership between the State and the counties that acknowledges that both levels of government are responsible for supporting public health services; and~~

~~WHEREAS, The implementation of a national policy for the delivery of health services will impact local health programs; and~~

~~WHEREAS, It is recognized that a review of the system for the delivery of local health services was needed; and~~

~~WHEREAS, The review was completed and it was recommended that the Case formula be codified in the Annotated Code of Maryland in order to provide for a stable base level of funding for the provision of local health services; now, therefore,~~

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

~~Article — Health — General~~

~~SUBTITLE 3. LOCAL HEALTH SERVICES FUNDING~~

~~2-301.~~

~~(A) THERE IS A FORMULA FOR FUNDING THE DELIVERY OF LOCAL HEALTH SERVICES IN THE COUNTIES.~~

~~(B) THE PURPOSE OF THE FORMULA IS TO:~~

~~(1) DEVELOP AN ESTIMATED MINIMUM BUDGET FOR THE PROVISION OF LOCAL HEALTH SERVICES IN EACH COUNTY; AND~~

~~(2) DISTRIBUTE RESPONSIBILITY FOR FUNDING THE ESTIMATED MINIMUM BUDGET FOR A COUNTY EQUITABLY BETWEEN THE STATE AND THE COUNTY.~~

~~(C) THE SECRETARY MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS THAT ARE NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE.~~

~~(D) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED:~~

~~(1) "ASSESSED VALUATION OF REAL PROPERTY" MEANS THE MOST RECENT ESTIMATE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF ASSESSMENTS AND TAXATION BEFORE THE STATE BUDGET BILL IS SUBMITTED TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE ASSESSED VALUE OF REAL PROPERTY FOR COUNTY PURPOSES AS OF JULY 1 OF THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR.~~

~~(2) "ASSESSED VALUATION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY" MEANS THE MOST RECENT ESTIMATE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF ASSESSMENTS AND TAXATION BEFORE THE STATE BUDGET BILL IS SUBMITTED TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE ASSESSED VALUE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY FOR COUNTY PURPOSES AS OF JULY 1 OF THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR.~~