

Chapter 593 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1993

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.

THE GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE IN THE STATE BUDGET, BEGINNING WITH FISCAL YEAR 1997, AT A MINIMUM, SUFFICIENT FUNDS FOR LOCAL HEALTH SERVICES AS REQUIRED BY THIS SUBTITLE.

2-302.

(A) THE FUNDING REQUIRED IN THE STATE BUDGET FOR LOCAL HEALTH SERVICES, EXCLUSIVE OF SPECIAL FUND AND FEDERAL APPROPRIATIONS, SHALL BE AT LEAST THE AMOUNT SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION. ~~HOWEVER, NO SUBDIVISION MAY RECEIVE LESS STATE FUNDING FOR LOCAL HEALTH SERVICES UNDER THIS SECTION THAN THAT SUBDIVISION RECEIVED IN FISCAL YEAR 1996.~~

(B) THE FUNDING SHALL BE:

(1) ~~\$47.0~~ \$41.0 MILLION FOR FISCAL YEAR 1997;

~~(2) \$54.4 MILLION FOR FISCAL YEAR 1998; AND~~

~~(3) \$63.0 MILLION FOR FISCAL YEAR 1999, AND EVERY YEAR THEREAFTER.~~

(2) FOR FISCAL YEAR 1998 AND EACH SUBSEQUENT FISCAL YEAR, THE AMOUNT OF FUNDING FOR FISCAL YEAR 1997 ADJUSTED FOR:

(I) INFLATION, AS MEASURED BY THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - ALL URBAN CONSUMERS FOR THE SECOND PRECEDING FISCAL YEAR, CALCULATED BY THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE; AND

(II) POPULATION GROWTH, AS MEASURED BY THE GROWTH IN THE TOTAL POPULATION OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND FOR THE SECOND PRECEDING FISCAL YEAR, ACCORDING TO THE MOST RECENT STATISTICS AVAILABLE THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE.

(C) (1) FOR FISCAL YEAR 1997, NO SUBDIVISION MAY RECEIVE LESS STATE FUNDING FOR LOCAL HEALTH SERVICES UNDER THIS SECTION THAN THAT SUBDIVISION RECEIVED IN FISCAL YEAR 1996.

(2) FOR FISCAL YEAR 1998 AND EACH SUBSEQUENT FISCAL YEAR, NO SUBDIVISION MAY RECEIVE LESS STATE FUNDING FOR LOCAL HEALTH SERVICES UNDER THIS SECTION THAN THAT SUBDIVISION RECEIVED IN FISCAL YEAR 1997.