

consultation with unit representatives, is expressly identified in the budget bill in a format similar to that used for the 1999 session; and

(2) the amount indicated is approved by the General Assembly through its actions on the budget bill.

SECTION 32. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That any agreements between State agencies and any public higher education institution involving an expenditure of more than \$100,000 shall be published in the Maryland Register and reported to the budget committees.

SECTION 33. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That in the expenditure of federal funds appropriated in this budget or subsequent to the enactment of this budget by the budget amendment process:

(1) State agencies shall administer these federal funds in a manner that recognizes that federal funds are taxpayer dollars that require prudent fiscal management, careful application to the purposes for which they are directed, and strict attention to budgetary and accounting procedures established for the administration of all public funds.

(2) For fiscal 2000, except with respect to capital appropriations, to the extent consistent with federal requirements:

(i) when expenditures or encumbrances may be charged to either State or federal fund sources, federal funds shall be charged before State funds are charged; this policy does not apply to the Department of Human Resources with respect to federal funds to be carried forward into future years for child care, child welfare, or welfare reform activities or to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene with respect to funds to be carried forward into future years for the purpose of reducing the waiting list for community services for individuals with developmental disabilities;

(ii) when additional federal funds are sought or otherwise become available in the course of the fiscal year, agencies shall consider, in consultation with the Department of Budget and Management, whether opportunities exist to use these federal revenues to support existing operations rather than to expand programs or establish new ones; and

(iii) the Department of Budget and Management shall take appropriate actions to effectively establish these as policies of the State with respect to administration of federal funds by executive agencies.

SECTION 34. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the general fund appropriations made in the following State agencies for the purpose of funding the Community Court shall be reduced by the following amounts based on the intent of the General Assembly that the Community Court open on January 1, 2000:

<u>Agency</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>General Funds</u>
<u>Judiciary</u>	<u>CA00.04</u>	<u>District Court</u>	<u>132,000</u>
	<u>CA00.09</u>	<u>Judicial Data Processing</u>	<u>20,983</u>