

**Board of Education:**

- (2) Not charge more tuition to a participating student than the statewide average per pupil expenditure by the local education agencies, as calculated by the department, with appropriate exceptions for special education students as determined by the department; and
- (3) Comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended.

In addition, no funds may be expended until the Maryland State Department of Education submits a report, no later than June 1, 2000, to the Senate Economic and Environmental Affairs and Budget and Taxation Committees and the House Ways and Means and Appropriations Committees detailing the distribution methodology and the committees have 45 days for review and comment. The report shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

A process for textbook acquisition by which the department shall:

- (a) Establish lists of qualified textbook vendors and of qualified textbooks, to assure that the textbooks are secular in character and acceptable for use in any public elementary or secondary school in Maryland; and
- (b) Receive requisitions for textbooks to be purchased from the eligible and participating schools, and forward the approved requisitions and payments to the qualified textbook vendor who will send the textbooks directly to the