

(B) TO CARRY OUT THE EVALUATION AND SURVEILLANCE FUNCTIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE DEPARTMENT MAY CONDUCT ANY OTHER TOBACCO STUDY MEASURING THE FACTORS SET FORTH IN § 13-1003(C) OF THIS SUBTITLE AND USING A METHODOLOGY OR MODEL THAT IS CONSISTENT WITH BUT NEED NOT BE IDENTICAL TO THAT USED TO CONDUCT THE BASELINE TOBACCO STUDY.

(c) (1) Subject to paragraphs (2) through (4) of this subsection, the Department shall contract with a higher education institution or private entity to conduct the [Annual] BIENNIAL Tobacco Study.

(2) The Department shall issue a request for proposal to select the entity that will conduct the [Annual] BIENNIAL Tobacco Study.

(3) The Department may contract with an entity to conduct one or more [annual] BIENNIAL tobacco studies.

(4) The Department shall use the criteria established in § 13-1003(e)(5) of this subtitle as a guide in administering the request for proposal process.

(d) On or before September 1 of [each year] EACH EVEN NUMBERED FISCAL YEAR, BEGINNING IN FISCAL YEAR 2006, the Department shall submit [an annual] A report to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly on the results of the [Annual] BIENNIAL Tobacco Study.

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(b) Subject to SUBSECTIONS (C) THROUGH (E) OF THIS SECTION AND §§ 13-1008 through 13-1012 of this subtitle, the Department shall distribute a Local Public Health Tobacco Grant to each county that is equal to the sum of:

(1) A BASE AMOUNT OF FUNDING AS DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT FOR EACH COUNTY AND BALTIMORE CITY;

[(1)] (2) The product of:

(i) One-half of the amount [of money that is allocated] REMAINING FROM THE ALLOCATION to the Local Public Health Component in the State budget AFTER THE BASE AMOUNT UNDER ITEM (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION IS DISTRIBUTED TO EACH COUNTY AND BALTIMORE CITY; and

(ii) The number of individuals in the county under the age of 18 years who smoke or otherwise use tobacco products divided by the number of individuals in the State under the age of 18 years who smoke or otherwise use tobacco products; and

[(2)] (3) The product of:

(i) One-half of the amount [of money that is allocated] REMAINING FROM THE ALLOCATION to the Local Public Health Component in the State budget AFTER THE BASE AMOUNT UNDER ITEM (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION IS DISTRIBUTED TO EACH COUNTY AND BALTIMORE CITY; and