

(1) THE SECRETARY SHALL ADMINISTER THE FUND.

(2) SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE SECRETARY MAY ADOPT PROCEDURES TO CARRY OUT THIS SUBTITLE, INCLUDING ADDITIONAL AUDITING AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.

(3) THE SECRETARY MAY NOT:

(I) IMPOSE TRAINING OR OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS AS A PRECONDITION TO RECEIPT OF MONEY, EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE EXPRESSLY PROVIDED IN THIS SUBTITLE; OR

(II) REQUIRE THAT CAPITAL EQUIPMENT PURCHASED WITH STATE MONEY HAVE A USEFUL LIFE EXPECTANCY OF GREATER THAN 1 YEAR.

(D) COMPOSITION.

THE FUND CONSISTS OF MONEY APPROPRIATED IN THE STATE BUDGET TO THE FUND.

(E) PAYMENTS.

(1) AS AUTHORIZED BY THE SECRETARY, THE TREASURER SHALL MAKE PAYMENTS OUT OF THE FUND TO EACH COUNTY ON WARRANT OF THE COMPTROLLER.

(2) THE TREASURER SHALL MAKE THE PAYMENTS REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION TO THE APPROPRIATE COUNTY IN APPROXIMATELY EQUAL AMOUNTS ON OR ABOUT AUGUST 15, NOVEMBER 15, FEBRUARY 15, AND MAY 15.

(F) USE OF STATE MONEY.

(1) STATE MONEY PROVIDED UNDER THIS SECTION MAY ONLY BE USED TO:

(I) ACQUIRE OR REHABILITATE FIRE OR RESCUE EQUIPMENT, INCLUDING AMBULANCES;

(II) ACQUIRE OR REHABILITATE CAPITAL EQUIPMENT USED IN CONNECTION WITH FIRE OR RESCUE EQUIPMENT; AND

(III) REHABILITATE FACILITIES USED PRIMARILY TO HOUSE FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT, AMBULANCES, AND RESCUE VEHICLES.

(2) STATE MONEY PROVIDED UNDER THIS SECTION MAY NOT BE USED:

(I) FOR ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS;

(II) FOR COMPENSATION OR FRINGE BENEFITS TO EMPLOYEES OR MEMBERS OF COUNTY GOVERNMENTS, OR FIRE, RESCUE, OR AMBULANCE COMPANIES;

(III) FOR TRAVEL OR MEAL EXPENSES;