

(7) THE PROCEDURES THAT WOULD BE ESTABLISHED TO ALLOW FOR ELDERLY RESIDENTS WHO WILL BE SERVED BY THE PROJECT TO ACTIVELY AND MEANINGFULLY PARTICIPATE IN THE DESIGN, IMPLEMENTATION, AND EVALUATION OF THE PROJECT; AND

(8) THE POLICY AND PROJECT ROLES OF THE PROGRAM APPLICANT AND ANY OTHER PERSON INVOLVED IN THE PROVISION OF SERVICES OR MANAGEMENT OF THE PROJECT, INCLUDING THE OWNER OR GOVERNING BODY OF THE NATURALLY OCCURRING RETIREMENT COMMUNITY THAT THE PROJECT WOULD SERVE.

(B) AN ELIGIBLE APPLICANT SHALL AGREE TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY DATA COLLECTION OR SURVEY THAT THE SECRETARY DETERMINES IS NECESSARY IN ORDER TO EVALUATE THE PROJECT.

43.

(A) BASED ON THE AMOUNT OF AVAILABLE FUNDING AND CONSISTENT WITH THE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE, THE SECRETARY MAY APPROVE GRANTS TO ELIGIBLE PROGRAM APPLICANTS, NOT TO EXCEED \$150,000 FOR A PROJECT IN ANY 12-MONTH PERIOD.

(B) (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, A GRANT AWARDED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE SHALL BE MATCHED BY AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE GRANT, WITH AT LEAST 25 PERCENT OF THE MATCHING AMOUNT BEING PROVIDED BY THE ~~OWNER, GOVERNING BODY, OR RESIDENTS OF A NATURALLY OCCURRING RETIREMENT COMMUNITY~~ GRANT APPLICANT.

(2) IF THE SECRETARY FINDS THAT A LOW INCOME NATURALLY OCCURRING RETIREMENT COMMUNITY CANNOT AFFORD TO MEET THE MATCHING REQUIREMENT UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE SECRETARY MAY WAIVE ALL OR PART OF THE MATCHING REQUIREMENT.

(C) THE STATE MAY NOT EXPEND ANY STATE GENERAL FUNDS TO IMPLEMENT THE PROGRAM.

44.

THE SECRETARY SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Secretary may not approve more than 10 grants in the first 12-month period after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Secretary shall annually report to the General Assembly on or before December 1, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, on the status and effectiveness of the Naturally Occurring Retirement Community Demonstration Program.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Secretary of Aging shall report to the General Assembly on or before September 30, 2002, in accordance