

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

**Article 70B – Department of Aging**

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The administration of this subtitle is vested in the Department, which shall:

- (1) Prepare and furnish all forms necessary or desirable under the provisions of this subtitle;
- (2) Establish and collect reasonable filing fees established for the implementation of this subtitle;
- (3) Adopt regulations necessary to enforce this subtitle; and
- (4) Prepare and distribute relevant public information and educational materials designed to advise individuals, institutions, and organizations of their rights and responsibilities under this subtitle.

8A.

- (A) IN THIS SECTION, "FUND" MEANS THE CONTINUING CARE FUND.
- (B) THERE IS A CONTINUING CARE FUND.
- (C) THE PURPOSE OF THE FUND IS TO DEFRAY THE COSTS OF ADMINISTERING THIS SUBTITLE.
- (D) THE DEPARTMENT OF AGING SHALL ADMINISTER THE FUND.
- (E) (1) THE FUND IS A SPECIAL, NONLAPSING FUND THAT IS NOT SUBJECT TO § 7-302 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE.  
  
(2) THE STATE TREASURER SHALL HOLD THE FUND SEPARATELY, AND THE COMPTROLLER SHALL ACCOUNT FOR THE FUND.
- (F) THE FUND CONSISTS OF:
  - (1) ALL FEES COLLECTED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE;
  - (2) MONEY APPROPRIATED IN THE STATE BUDGET TO THE FUND;