The former reference to the "limitations in" the State budget is deleted as surplusage.

Defined term: "Department" § 6–101 6–411. PURPOSES; INTENT.

(A) PURPOSES.

THE PURPOSES OF THE PROGRAM ARE TO:

- (1) PROVIDE FUNDING TO ASSIST EMERGENCY FOOD PROVIDERS IN PURCHASING FOOD FOR NEEDY INDIVIDUALS;
- (2) ENCOURAGE NEEDY INDIVIDUALS TO BECOME SELF-SUFFICIENT;
- (3) DISTRIBUTE INFORMATION ON THE STATE'S EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT ESTABLISHED UNDER § 10–704 OF THE TAX GENERAL ARTICLE.
  - (B) INTENT.

WHEN FEASIBLE AND COST EFFECTIVE, FOOD PURCHASED UNDER THE PROGRAM SHALL BE PRODUCED, GROWN, AND HARVESTED IN THE STATE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 88A, §§ 130G(b) and 130K.

In subsection (a)(3) of this section, the reference to the tax credit "established under  $\S$  10–704 of the Tax – General Article" is added for clarity.

Defined terms: "Emergency food provider" § 6–409 "Program" § 6–409

## 6-412. DUTIES.

(A) DUTIES OF ADMINISTRATION.

THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL MANAGE THE PROGRAM.

(B) DUTIES OF ADMINISTERING AGENCY.

EACH ADMINISTERING AGENCY SHALL:

- (1) PROVIDE EMERGENCY FOOD PROVIDERS WITH INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROGRAM, INCLUDING PROGRAM GUIDELINES AND FUND AVAILABILITY;
- (2) ACCEPT AND PROCESS REQUESTS FOR FUNDING ASSISTANCE FROM EMERGENCY FOOD PROVIDERS; AND
- (3) ALLOCATE FUNDING TO EMERGENCY FOOD PROVIDERS BASED ON THE PROCEDURES APPROVED IN THE ADMINISTERING AGENCY'S GRANT APPLICATION UNDER § 6–413 OF THIS SUBTITLE.
  - (C) DUTIES OF EMERGENCY FOOD PROVIDERS.