- (1) THERE IS AN ATTENDANT CARE PROGRAM IN THE DEPARTMENT.
- (2) THE PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM IS TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS FOR ATTENDANT CARE SERVICES.

## (B) SLIDING PAYMENT SCALE.

THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH A SLIDING PAYMENT SCALE THAT THE DEPARTMENT ESTABLISHES BY REGULATION.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 41, § 18-602(a)(1) and (4).

Subsection (a) of this section is revised in standard language for clarity and consistency with similar provisions throughout this article.

In subsection (b) of this section, the requirement that "[t]he Department" provide financial assistance is added for clarity.

Also in subsection (b) of this section, the reference to establishing a sliding payment scale "by regulation" is added for clarity. See SG § 10–101.

Defined terms: "Attendant care services" § 7-401

"Department" § 7-401

"Eligible individual" § 7-401

"Financial assistance" § 7-401

"Program" § 7-401

## 7-403. DIRECTOR; SUPPORT SERVICES.

## (A) DIRECTOR.

THE SECRETARY SHALL DESIGNATE AN INDIVIDUAL FROM THE DEPARTMENT TO SERVE AS DIRECTOR OF THE PROGRAM.

(B) SUPPORT SERVICES.

THE SECRETARY SHALL PROVIDE APPROPRIATE SUPPORT SERVICES TO THE PROGRAM AS PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 41, § 18–602(a)(3).

In subsection (b) of this section, the phrase "as provided in the State budget" is substituted for the former phrase "from existing budgets" for consistency with standard language.

Defined terms: "Department" § 7–401 "Program" § 7–401 "Secretary" § 7–401

## 7-404. PARTICIPATION IN PROGRAM.

(A) RECIPIENTS OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.