

(i) \$10,000 for any one project; or

(ii) \$20,000 for any best management practices carried out under a pooling agreement.] A DOLLAR AMOUNT OF UP TO \$50,000 AS DETERMINED BY A REGULATION ADOPTED JOINTLY BY THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE AND THE SECRETARY OF THE ENVIRONMENT.

(2) State cost sharing funds may be made available for any project if:

(i) The Department of Agriculture, the soil conservation district, and a person have executed an agreement which, among other things, obligates the person to establish, construct, or install the best management practice in accordance with technical specifications, to maintain the best management practice for its expected life span, and to provide the required matching funds for the project;

(ii) The Board of Public Works has given approval to the project when the proceeds of State bonds are to be used to finance the State share; and

(iii) The soil conservation district has certified to the Department that the project meets all applicable technical standards, and that all submitted invoices properly represent eligible costs.

(3) Before the Department of Agriculture executes a cost sharing agreement with a farm tenant, it shall obtain the consent of the landlord to the terms and conditions of the agreement. The Department may also require the granting to the State of an appropriate security interest in any equipment, structures or similar items purchased with State moneys.

(4) A cost sharing agreement executed as required under this subtitle may be assigned and transferred to a successor in title of all or part of a tract of land subject to a best management practice.

(5) State general funds may not be used as cost sharing funds under this subtitle.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1991.

Approved April 30, 1991.

CHAPTER 156

(House Bill 160)

AN ACT concerning

Continuing Care Communities – Certificates of Need

FOR the purpose of revising the conditions under which certain exemptions from certificate of need requirements may be granted for continuing care facilities; and