

(c) A community rehabilitation and employment agency accredited by the Division of [Vocational] Rehabilitation SERVICES in the State Department of Education is eligible to receive funds available in the Employment Program Fund established under this section.

(d) The Division of [Vocational] Rehabilitation SERVICES may contract with nonprofit rehabilitation and employment agencies to provide the funds established under this section for:

- (1) Supported employment placements;
- (2) Competitive work placements;
- (3) Transitional employment; or
- (4) Sheltered employment.

(e) The Division of [Vocational] Rehabilitation SERVICES shall adopt regulations to implement the provisions of this section.

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(a) There is a Division of [Vocational] Rehabilitation SERVICES in the State Department of Education.

(b) The State Board of Education shall:

(1) Disburse all funds provided, and administer all programs established under this subtitle, for the rehabilitation of disabled individuals;

(2) Appoint and fix the compensation of the personnel necessary to administer this subtitle;

(3) [Vocationally rehabilitate,] REHABILITATE and place in gainful occupations[, ] individuals eligible for the benefits of this subtitle;

(4) REHABILITATE ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS TO FUNCTION MORE INDEPENDENTLY;

[(4)](5) Adopt rules and regulations necessary to administer this subtitle;

[(5)](6) Report annually to the Governor on the administration of this subtitle; and

[(6)](7) Cooperate with other public and private departments, agencies, and institutions to:

(i) Provide for the [vocational] rehabilitation of disabled individuals;

(II) PROVIDE FOR THE INDEPENDENT LIVING REHABILITATION OF SEVERELY DISABLED INDIVIDUALS;

[(ii)](III) Study the problems of [vocational] rehabilitation; and