

(6) THE COMPTROLLER SHALL PAY OUT MONEY FROM THE FUND AS DIRECTED BY THE COMMISSION OR AS APPROVED IN THE STATE BUDGET.

(7) THE FUND SHALL BE SUBJECT TO AN AUDIT BY THE DIVISION OF AUDITS AS PROVIDED FOR IN § 2-1215 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.

(8) THE PURPOSE OF ~~THIS~~ THE FUND IS TO ~~ALLOW EQUITABLE SHARING OF FORFEITED ASSETS BETWEEN LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES AND TO ESTABLISH~~ PROVIDE FUNDING FOR A GRANTS PROGRAM FOR NEIGHBORHOOD CRIME PREVENTION GRANT PROGRAMS AND DRUG AND ALCOHOL ABUSE EDUCATION, PREVENTION, TREATMENT, ADJUDICATION, AND LAW ENFORCEMENT PROGRAMS AS PROVIDED UNDER § 297C OF THIS SUBHEADING.

(9) ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENDITURES UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL ONLY BE MADE PURSUANT TO AN APPROPRIATION APPROVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN THE ANNUAL STATE BUDGET PRIOR TO THE EXPENDITURE OR OBLIGATION OF FUNDS.

(10) THE COMMISSION SHALL ADMINISTER THE FUND.

(11) DISBURSEMENTS FROM THE FUND SHALL SUPPLEMENT AND MAY NOT BE A SUBSTITUTE FOR ANY MONEY DESIGNATED IN THE STATE BUDGET FOR ASSISTANCE TO THE STATE FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT, ADJUDICATION, DRUG ABUSE EDUCATION, PREVENTION, AND TREATMENT PROGRAMS.

~~(C) CASH OR PROCEEDS FROM THE LIQUIDATION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OR REAL PROPERTY SEIZED BY STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES FORFEITED UNDER § 297 OF THIS SUBHEADING SHALL BE DEPOSITED INTO THE FUND.~~

~~(D) (1) THE STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SEIZURE IS ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE 75 PERCENT OF THE FORFEITED CASH OR PROCEEDS FROM THE LIQUIDATION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OR REAL PROPERTY SEIZED BY A STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY AND FORFEITED UNDER § 297 OF THIS SUBHEADING.~~

~~(2) (1) A STATE OR OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY MAY PETITION THE COMMISSION FOR AN EQUITABLE SHARE OF THE FORFEITED CASH OR PROCEEDS FROM THE LIQUIDATION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OR REAL PROPERTY SEIZED AND FORFEITED UNDER § 297 OF THIS SUBHEADING.~~

~~(H) DISTRIBUTION SHALL BE BASED UPON THE DEGREE OF PARTICIPATION OF THE AGENCY IN THE INVESTIGATION OR PROSECUTION WHICH LED TO THE SEIZURE OR FORFEITURE.~~