FISCAL YEAR 2009 OVER THE TARGET REQUEST

TITLE/DESCRIPTION: DA60A10.01 Publication of the Maryland Manual.

FINANCIAL/PERSONNEL SUMMARY:

General Fund: Amount \$ 75,000_	Positions:	FT	PT	_1 Contractuals
Special Fund: Amount \$	Positions:	FT _	PT	Contractuals
Federal Fund: Amount \$	Positions:	FT _	PT _	Contractuals
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Total Funds: Amount \$ 75,000_	Positions:	FT	PT	Contractuals

A. <u>TYPE OF REQUEST</u>:

New Program___Expand Existing Service___Restore Service_x__New Facility____Other _____

B. <u>REASON FOR REQUEST</u>:

State Government Article 9-1026, 9-1027 requires that the State Archives compile, edit and print the *Maryland Manual* every two years, as provided by the budget.

C. <u>ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED</u>:

Funds to help supplement the program are generated by the sale of the printed version of the *Maryland Manual*. In order to reduce costs, the *Maryland Manual* has been made accessible on the web since December of 1996. Beginning in 1997 the publication has been made available on CD ROM as "slices in time."

D. JUSTIFICATION FOR THE REQUEST:

This publication is a core function of the Archives as noted in goal two of the Archives main program.

While the electronic version of the *Maryland Manual* is an important permanent historical record which we do preserve in quarterly slices in time, there is a necessary place for the printed book in our culture which we ought not to ignore and ought to continue to provide. No matter how far we have come in making the electronic record permanent and accessible, books derived and enhanced from that electronic record are critical to our cumulative and readily available understanding of our world.

The Archives is seeking a yearly appropriation that will allow us to compile and then print the Manual every two years.

E. FISCAL IMPACT:

See attached.