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Department of Social Services

Item 398	First Year - FY1999	Second Year - FY2000
State Administration for Standards of Living Services (45100)	\$30,845,499	\$29,967,895 \$31,099,368
Regional and Areawide Assistance Administration (45101)	\$4,787,073	\$4,818,905
State Administration of Financial Assistance for Standards of Living Services (45102)	\$4,182,961	\$3,249,053 \$4,380,526
State Administration of Social Services for Standards of Living (45103)	\$3,852,473	\$3,876,945
Community Services Block Grant (45104)	\$9,292,672	\$9,292,672
Financial Assistance to Localities for Social Services (45105)	\$8,730,320	\$8,730,320
Fund Sources:		
General	\$8,116,285	\$7,182,116 \$7,793,203
Special	\$100,000	\$100,000
Federal Trust	\$22,629,214	\$22,685,779 \$23,206,165

Authority: Title 63.1, Chapters 1 and 6, and Title 2.1, Chapter 39, Code of Virginia; P.L. 104-193, Federal Code, as amended; *Title VI, Subtitle B, P.L. 97-35, as amended; P.L. 103-252, as amended.*

A. All increased state or federal funds distributed to Community Action Agencies after July 1, 1998, shall be distributed as follows:

All funds will be divided equally. One-half shall be distributed to all local Community Action Agencies according to the Department of Social Services funding formula (75 percent based on low-income population, 20 percent based on number of jurisdictions served, and five percent based on square mileage served). The second half shall be distributed to local Community Action Agencies that receive less than that agency would receive if all funds distributed to local Community Action Agencies were distributed under the Department of Social Services formula (75%, 20%, 5%). These funds shall be prorated according to the local agencies' relative underfunded amount. This process shall continue until all local agencies reach funding parity.

B. The Department shall continue to fund from this Item all Community Action Agencies funded in Item 463 of Chapter 853 of the 1995 Acts of Assembly.

C. The toll-free telephone hotline operated by the Department of Social Services to receive child abuse and neglect complaints shall also be publicized and used by the Department to receive complaints of adult abuse and neglect.

D. *The Department shall study and recommend means of holding local departments of social services accountable for their share of Food Stamp reinvestment requirements resulting from Virginia error rates in excess of the*

nationwide error rate. By June 30, 1999, the Department shall submit a report to the Secretary of Health and Human Resources on alternative accountability methods, their advantages and disadvantages, including the costs thereof. The report shall include a schedule of reinvestment requirements by state fiscal year; show the local share according to the same matching ratio used for eligibility programs, adjusted for the absence of federal funding; and identify next steps in implementing the principal recommendation, including draft language for the Appropriation Act or the Code of Virginia.