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- (2) In order to receive Federal assistance under this subsection in any fiscal year, any appropriate entity desiring to receive such assistance shall submit an application for such grants at such time as shall be specified by the Chairman. Each such application shall be accompanied by a plan which the Chairman finds:
 - (A) provides assurances that the grant recipient will comply with the requirements of paragraph (3) of this subsection;
 - (B) provides that the funds paid to the grant recipient will be expended solely on programs which carry out the objectives of subsection (c) of this section;
 - (C) establishes a membership policy which is designed to assure broad public representation with respect to programs administered by such grant recipient;
 - (D) provides a nomination process which assures opportunities for nomination to membership from various groups within the State involved and from a variety of segments of the population of such State, and including individuals who by reason of their acheivement, scholarship, or creativity in the humanities, are especially qualified to serve;
 - (E) provides for a membership rotation process which assures the regular rotation of the membership and officers of such grant recipient and which complies with the provisions of paragraph (3)(C) of this subsection;
 - (F) establishes reporting procedures which are designed to inform the chief executive officer of the State involved, and other appropriate officers and agencies, of the activities of such grant recipient;

- (2) In order to receive assistance under this subsection in any fiscal year, a State shall submit an application for such grants at such time as shall be specified by the Chairman and accompany such applications with a plan which the Chairman finds:
- (A) designates or provides for the establishment of a State agency (hereinafter in this section referred to as the State agency) as the sole agency for the administration of the State plan;
- (B) provides that funds paid to the State under this subsection will be expended solely on programs approved by the State agency which carry out any of the objectives of subsection (c); and
- (C) provides that the State agency will make such reports, in such form and containing such information, as the Chairman may require

- (G) establishes procedures to assure public access to information relating to such activities; and
- (H) provides that such grant recipient shall make reports to the Chairman, in such form, at such times, and containing such information, as the Chairman may require.
- (3)(A) Whenever a State desires that an appropriate officer or agency of such State appoint 50% of the membership of the governing body of the grant recipient involved, such State shall:
 - (i) for the first fiscal year with respect to which such State desires to make such appointments, match, from State funds, 50% of that portion of the federal financial assistance received by such grant recipient under this subsection which exceeds \$100,000;
 - (ii) for the second fiscal year with respect to which such State desires to make such appointments, match, from State funds, that portion of the federal financial assistance received by such grant recipient under this subsection which exceeds \$100,000; and
 - (iii) with respect to each fiscal year thereafter, match from State funds, the total amount of federal financial assistance received by such grant recipient under this subsection for the fiscal year involved.
- (B) In any State in which the State does not desire to comply with the requirements of subparagraph (A) of this paragraph, the grant recipient shall:
 - (i) establish a procedure which assures that

This section is repealed

two members of the governing body of such grant recipient shall be appointed by an appropriate officer or agency of such State; and

- (ii) provide from any source, an amount equal to the amount of Federal financial assistance received by such grant recipient under this subsection in the fiscal year involved.
- (C) In any fiscal year in which a State fails to meet the matching requirement from State funds made by subparagraph (A) of this paragraph, the number of members on the governing body of the grant recipient who were appointed by an appropriate officer or agency of such State shall be reduced so that the governing body complies with the provisions of subparagraph (B) of this paragraph.

Any appropriate entity in the State can apply to NEH for the State block grant. A detailed plan must accompany application.

Requirements:

- 1. Grant recipient will abide by optional appointment and matching requirements;
- 2.funds will be expended solely on programs consistent with Act's purposes;
- 3. recipient has established a broad membership policy to assure broad public representation;
- 4. it has a nomination process to assure nomination of various groups within the State;
- 5. it has a regular membership rotation process;
- 6. recipient establishes reporting procedures designed to inform the chief executive officer of the State and other appropriate officers and agencies of its activities;
- 7. it establishes procedures to assure public access to information relating to its activities; and
- 8. recipient will make reports as required by the Chairman.

TWO OPTIONS FOR TYPE OF AGENCY:

- 1. State appoints 50% of membership matching requirements:
 - 50% of the amount in excess of \$100,000 from State funds, in first year;

The State submits the application accompanied by a detailed plan.

Requirements:

- 1. The designated State agency is the sole agency to administer the State plan;
- 2. Funds must be spent on programs approved by the State which carry out objectives established by the Chairman of NEH; and
- 3. the State agency must make reports as the Chairman of NEH may require,

Option #1 , with its State matching requirements, has never been used.

- 100% of the amount in excess of \$100,000 from State funds, in the second year (i.e. 50-50 match of excess);
- -100% of amount of federal assistance received by recipient (i.e. 50-50 match of all funds), from State funds, in subsequent years.
- 2. Grant recipient assures that at least 2 members of its governing body shall be appointed by appropriate State officer or agency

matching requirements:

- If existing Committee continued with 2 appointed members, 50-50 match of all federal assistance received, from any sources.

This option has been adopted by all committees.