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By Representative Boldt

On page 12, after line 18, insert the following:

Sec. 13. RCW 74.12.030 and 1971 ex.s. c 169 s 6 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) In addition to meeting the eligibility requirements of RCW 74.08.025, as now or hereafter amended, an applicant for aid to families with dependent children must be a needy child who is a resident of the state of Washington.

(2) Any person qualified for temporary assistance for needy families under this title who has resided in the state of Washington for fewer than twelve of the eighteen months immediately preceding application for assistance is limited to the benefit level of the state in which the person resided immediately before Washington, that was obtainable on the date of application in Washington, if the benefit level of the prior state is lower than the level provided to similarly situated applicants in Washington The benefit level under this subsection shall be in effect for the first twelve months of a person's residency in Washington.

The department shall conduct a periodic survey of the other states to determine their public assistance levels for programs similar to those in the state of Washington and shall by rule adopt a scale of public assistance limits based on state of origin.—

Correct the title and internal references accordingly.

EFFECT: Limits the benefit level of a person who has lived in Washington for fewer than twelve of the past eighteen months to the benefit level of the person's original state. After twelve months of residency, the person may receive the benefit level for Washington residents.

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