

FINAL BILL REPORT

HB 2350

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Synopsis As Enacted

Brief Description: Making changes regarding the coordination of general assistance programs.

By Representatives Leonard and Winsley; by request of Dept. of Social and Health Services.

House Committee on Human Services
Senate Committee on Children & Family Services

Background: The General Assistance Program has resource limits which allow a recipient to retain more resources than are allowed for recipients of the Aid to Families with Dependent Children Program. The Aid to Families with Dependent Children Program allows children to receive benefits if they live with a relative of specified degree. The current statutory definition of a relative of specified degree is more restrictive than that allowed under federal rules. The Department of Social and Health Services was required to request a waiver from federal rules to allow payments under the Aid to Families with Dependent Children Program to recipients who are self employed.

Summary: The resource limits for the General Assistance and the Aid to Families with Dependent Children programs are made equivalent. The statutory definition of a relative of specified degree is made the same as the definition promulgated in federal rules. A statutory requirement that the Department of Social and Health Services submit a waiver request is repealed, as the federal government has already defined the waiver request.

Votes on Final Passage:

House	95	0
Senate	45	2

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