

**HB 2970-S - DIGEST**

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires the department to exempt a recipient's family from application of this act by providing child safety net payments to maintain housing, basic utilities, and other verified needs of children in a recipient's family if the recipient or another adult in the recipient's family is in sanction status. The child safety net payment shall not be less than sixty percent of the assistance unit's regular monthly grant, and shall be sent to a protective payee who shall pay only the family's verified rent and utility costs with the child safety net payment. Any remaining amount shall be used only to pay for children's expenses, such as clothing, food, diapers, toiletries, school supplies, or other school-related costs.